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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
ON JANUARY 19, 2010, BEGINS ON PAGE 63.]

**SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. NO, IT'S GOOD AFTERNOON, I  
GUESS. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS AFTERNOON'S MEETING. OUR  
INVOCATION THIS AFTERNOON WILL BE LED BY ASSOCIATE PASTOR  
DAVID WATANABE, FROM THE NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN  
CRESCENTA-CANADA, Y.M.C.A. IN LA CANADA, AND THE PLEDGE THIS  
MORNING WILL BE LED BY ROBERT SAXTON, WHO IS THE CHIEF OF OUR  
VETERANS' SERVICES DIVISION. WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE STAND?  
PASTOR?

**PASTOR DAVID WATANABE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. LET US  
PRAY. GRACIOUS GOD, THANK YOU FOR THE LIVES OF THESE FIVE  
PUBLIC SERVANTS WHO COMPOSE THE L.A. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MAY  
YOU ALWAYS HELP THEM TO RIGHTLY USE THE POWER AND TRUST GIVEN  
TO THEM FOR THE GOOD OF ALL THEY SERVE, AND MAY THAT NEVER BE  
TAKEN FOR GRANTED. LORD OF OUR LIVES, WE ALSO ASK YOUR  
BLESSING OVER THE SUPERVISORS' FAMILIES, THEIR LOVED ONES. MAY  
THEIR HOMES ALWAYS BE FILLED WITH YOUR PEACE AND PROVIDE  
SANCTUARY FROM THE PRESSURES AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THEIR  
ELECTED OFFICES. SOVEREIGN GOD, THESE ARE CHALLENGING AND  
DIFFICULT TIMES THAT WE FACE TODAY, BUT WITH YOU, WE KNOW ALL

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1 THINGS ARE POSSIBLE. GRANT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WISDOM,  
2 GUIDANCE, HUMILITY, AND THE COURAGE OF THEIR CONVICTIONS TO BE  
3 ABLE TO DISCERN, TO DISCUSS, AND TO ACT ON THE PRIORITIES OF  
4 ALL THAT LIE BEFORE THEM THIS DAY. AND IN THE SAME WAY, HELP  
5 THEM TO SORT OUT THE ESSENTIAL BUSINESS FROM THAT WHICH IS  
6 NONESSENTIAL. GRACIOUS GOD AND LORD, CAST BEFORE THESE  
7 SERVANTS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COLLECTIVELY YOUR VISION,  
8 YOUR FORESIGHT, ONE THAT WOULD FUEL THEIR PASSION AND HELPING  
9 TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF WHAT GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAN BE  
10 AND BECOME. AND WE ASK THESE THINGS IN YOUR NAME. AMEN.

11

12 **ROBERT SAXTON:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND FOLLOW ME IN THE  
13 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]

14

15 **ROBERT SAXTON:** PLEASE BE SEATED.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAM CHAIR, ONCE AGAIN IT'S A PLEASURE TO  
20 WELCOME PASTOR WATANABE, DAVID WATANABE, HERE, WHO LED US IN  
21 PRAYER. HE HAS BEEN THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR FOR THE NEW LIFE  
22 CHRISTIAN CHURCH, WHICH IS LOCATED IN THE KENNETH VILLAGE AREA  
23 IN GLENDALE. HE WAS BORN IN SANTA MONICA, A GRADUATE OF VENICE  
24 HIGH SCHOOL, HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE WAS FROM CALIFORNIA STATE  
25 UNIVERSITY NORTHRIDGE, AND HIS THEOLOGICAL DEGREE WAS FROM



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1 FULLER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY BACK IN 1994. HE'S MARRIED TO HIS  
2 WIFE, SHERYL, THEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN, AND ONE OF THOSE WAS  
3 JUST RECENTLY ADOPTED FROM JAPAN. SO, PASTOR, THANK YOU FOR  
4 COMING DOWN AND OPENING OUR PROCEEDINGS. [ APPLAUSE ]

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO ASK OUR  
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

8

9 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF  
10 THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 2. ON ITEM  
11 NUMBER S-1, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS  
12 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JANUARY 26TH, 2010.  
13 BUT WE ALSO HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO REQUEST TO SPEAK ON  
14 THIS ITEM.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE WILL HEAR OUR SPEAKERS THIS MORNING ON  
17 THAT ITEM AND THEN WE WILL CONTINUE IT. IT'S ITEM NUMBER S-1  
18 ON PAGE 2.

19

20 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY  
21 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D TO 3-D. ON ITEM NUMBER 3-D,  
22 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ITEMS  
23 1-D AND 2-D ARE BEFORE YOU.

24

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1    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,  
2    SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE IS NO  
3    OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS.

4

5    **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK  
6    AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEMS 1-P THROUGH 3-P.

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8    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
9    BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
10   ORDERED.

11

12   **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9. ON  
13   ITEM NUMBER 2, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS  
14   ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JANUARY 26TH, 2010.

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16   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

17

18   **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** ON ITEM NUMBER 3, THIS INCLUDES THE  
19   REVISIONS AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON ITEM  
20   NUMBER 7, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO  
21   HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

22

23   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY  
24   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.  
25   IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** WE ARE NOW ON PAGE 13, CONSENT CALENDAR,  
3 ITEMS 10 THROUGH 54. ON ITEM NUMBER 10, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
4 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ITEM NUMBER 12, AS INDICATED  
5 ON THE POSTED AGENDA, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT  
6 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE. ITEM NUMBER 13, AS  
7 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
8 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO  
9 FEBRUARY 2, 2010. ON ITEM NUMBER 14, AS INDICATED ON THE  
10 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT  
11 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JANUARY 26, 2010. ON ITEM  
12 NUMBER 22, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO  
13 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 23, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
14 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 24,  
15 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
16 ITEM. ITEM NUMBER 26, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE  
17 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ITEM 31, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
18 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. ITEM NUMBER 34, THE  
19 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED  
20 BACK TO HER DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM 42, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
21 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT WAS THAT LAST ONE?

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1   **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** ITEM 42. ON ITEM 46, SUPERVISOR KNABE  
2   REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 52, THE CHIEF  
3   EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE SETTLEMENT  
4   AMOUNTS AT THIS TIME BUT IS ASKING THAT CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN  
5   BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO FEBRUARY 2, 2010. THAT'S ON ITEM 52.  
6   ON ITEM 53, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO  
7   HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 54, THE C.E.O. IS  
8   REQUESTING THE SETTLEMENT BE APPROVED TODAY BUT THAT THE  
9   CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO FEBRUARY 2,  
10   2010. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

11

12   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, NOTING THE EXCEPTIONS OF THOSE  
13   ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN CONTINUED AND THOSE ITEMS THAT TO BE  
14   HELD, ON THE REMAINING ITEMS, THEY ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
15   YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. THERE'S NO  
16   OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.

17

18   **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** WE ARE NOW ON PAGE 32, ORDINANCES FOR  
19   INTRODUCTION. I'D LIKE TO READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE  
20   RECORD. ON ITEM NO. 55, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 3,  
21   ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
22   CODE TO REPEAL CHAPTERS 3.06 AND 3.40 RELATING TO THE  
23   COMMISSION ON ALCOHOLISM AND THE NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS  
24   COMMISSION AND TO CREATE CHAPTER 3.15 RELATING TO THE

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1 COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS. IN ADDITION, SUPERVISOR  
2 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM WILL BE HELD.

5

6 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** ON ITEM NUMBER 56, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE  
7 AMENDING TITLE 6, SALARIES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE  
8 RELATING TO THE ADDITION, DELETION AND CHANGING OF CERTAIN  
9 CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS  
10 DEPARTMENTS AS A RESULT OF THE BUDGET PROCESS FOR FISCAL YEAR  
11 2009/2010, AND THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,  
14 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,  
15 SO ORDERED.

16

17 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** ON ITEMS NUMBER 57 THROUGH 60, AS INDICATED  
18 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS  
19 REQUESTING THAT THESE ITEMS BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JANUARY  
20 26, 2010.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THOSE ITEMS WILL BE CONTINUED.

23

24 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** IN SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEM 61, THIS IS A  
25 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR TO ADOPT A

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1 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE SOUTH  
2 PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,  
3 2002 ELECTION, SERIES B-5 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT  
4 TO EXCEED \$9 MILLION.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED  
7 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
8 ORDERED.

9

10 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** IN DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 62 AND 63. ON  
11 ITEM 62, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE CHIEF  
12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE  
13 WEEK TO JANUARY 26, 2010.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

16

17 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** ITEM 63 WE WILL HOLD FOR DISCUSSION.  
18 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS  
19 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
20 AGENDA. ITEM 64-A.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED  
23 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1    **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** ON ITEM 64-B, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
2    REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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4    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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6    **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** AND 64-C, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT  
7    THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND LASTLY, UNDER NOTICES OF CLOSED  
8    SESSION, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS REQUESTING THAT ITEM  
9    CS-2 BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 9TH, 2010. THAT COMPLETES THE  
10    READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS  
11    BEGINS WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

12

13    **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DO YOU HAVE PRESENTATION? NO?  
14    OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE, A PRESENTATION?

15

16    **SUP. KNABE:** YES I DO. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
17    BOARD, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO CALL UP MR.  
18    WES TANAKA. TODAY, AS MANY OF US IN THIS ROOM HAVE WORKED WITH  
19    HIM OVER THE YEARS WITH HIS TIRELESS DEDICATION TO SOUTHERN  
20    CALIFORNIA EDISON, HE IS THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIRECTOR FOR  
21    EDISON, ONE OF THE NATION'S LARGEST ELECTRIC UTILITIES,  
22    SERVING OVER 13 MILLION RESIDENTS WITH 50,000 SQUARE MILE  
23    SERVICE TERRITORY. HE HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING  
24    GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS BOTH WITH THE CITY OF L.A. AS WELL AS  
25    LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HE BEGAN HIS 37-YEAR CAREER AT EDISON IN

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1 1972 AS A METER READER. GOT BIT BY THREE DOGS. BUT ANYWAY,  
2 FROM THERE HE PROGRESSED TO CUSTOMER CONTACT POSITIONS AS A  
3 SERVICE PLANNER AND ENERGY SERVICES ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE.  
4 PRIOR TO BEING PROMOTED TO HIS CURRENT DIRECTOR POSITION, HE  
5 SERVED AS EDISON'S REGIONAL PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER AND DEPUTY  
6 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS. IN ADDITION, FOR MANY YEARS, WES  
7 HAS HELPED TO PROMOTE EDISON'S OUTREACH TO THE ASIAN-AMERICAN  
8 COMMUNITIES AND IS A GRADUATE OF CAL POLY POMONA AND CURRENTLY  
9 RESIDES IN ROSSMOOR. BY THE WAY, THERE'S A TORNADO WARNING FOR  
10 ROSSMOOR AND SEAL BEACH RIGHT NOW. LONG BEACH AS WELL. ON  
11 BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO WES  
12 FOR HIS 37 YEARS OF SERVICE TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON. BUT  
13 I THINK I SPEAK ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US, HIS REPRESENTATION OF  
14 OVER 10 MILLION CONSTITUENTS WHAT HE'S DONE EACH AND EVERY DAY  
15 AND HE'S A TIRELESS WORKER, GREAT WORK ETHIC. AND WE ARE  
16 REALLY GOING TO MISS WES AND THE ABILITY TO PICK UP A PHONE  
17 AND CALL AND FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON. AND I THINK THE KEY TO  
18 ALL OF US IS THAT WHEN YOU CALL SOMEBODY, ALL YOU WANT IS A  
19 STRAIGHT ANSWER. AND NO ONE DID A BETTER JOB OF THAT THAN WES  
20 TANAKA. SO, AGAIN, CONGRATULATIONS AND ALSO JUST SAY  
21 PERSONALLY I APPRECIATE YOUR FRIENDSHIP. [ APPLAUSE ]

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS, WES.

24



1   **WESLEY K. TANAKA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. THIS IS REALLY  
2   A WONDERFUL EVENT FOR ME AND MY FAMILY WHO ARE HERE TODAY. I  
3   WOULD LIKE TO THANK EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THE BOARD OF  
4   SUPERVISORS FOR THIS WONDERFUL RECOGNITION AND THIS BEAUTIFUL  
5   SCROLL TODAY. IN ACCEPTING THIS, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE JUST A  
6   VERY BRIEF MOMENT TO RECOGNIZE ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS AND  
7   STAFF IN THE COUNTY THAT I'VE WORKED WITH OVER THE YEARS.  
8   CERTAINLY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, REGIONAL PLANNING UNDER  
9   THE LEADERSHIP OF JON SANABRIA, PARKS AND RECREATION, THE  
10   INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT UNDER TOM TINDALL. AND ESPECIALLY  
11   NOTE THE LEADERSHIP AND ENTHUSIASM THAT HOWARD CHOY HAS  
12   DISPLAYED IN PROMOTING THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS  
13   AND SERVICES AND THE PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE COUNTY. WITHOUT  
14   EXCEPTION, EACH DEPARTMENT AND EVERY LEVEL OF STAFF AT THE  
15   COUNTY HAVE EXEMPLIFIED A HIGH DEGREE OF SKILL, KNOWLEDGE, AND  
16   CERTAINLY PROFESSIONALISM IN THE EXECUTION OF THEIR DUTIES AND  
17   THAT CERTAINLY GOES TO EACH AND EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR STAFFS  
18   WHO I HAVE ENJOYED WORKING WITH AND I THINK WHAT HAS HELPED ME  
19   THE MOST IN WORKING WITH THE STAFF IN ADDRESSING ISSUES WITH  
20   THE COUNTY IS THAT EVERYONE CAME TO THE TABLE WITH A HIGH  
21   DEGREE OF RESPECT AND MUTUAL RESPECT AND COLLABORATION FOR  
22   EACH OTHER SO THAT WE COULD APPROACH THE ISSUES WITH A CAN-DO  
23   ATTITUDE TO HELP RESOLVE AND WORK ON THE ISSUES OF THE COUNTY.  
24   SO WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU AND LEAVE YOU WITH  
25   ONE QUOTE FROM A DEAR FRIEND OF MINE FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT,



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1 SHEA HAMILTON WITH ANGELS FOR SIGHT, SHE SAID THAT FOR  
2 COMMUNITIES TO BE HEALTHY AND WHOLE, IT MUST FIRST BEGIN WITH  
3 THE LOVE AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS. AND I THANK YOU EACH AND  
4 EVERY ONE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR DEMONSTRATING THAT  
5 CONCERN AND COMMITMENT TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ALL  
6 YOUR CONSTITUENTS. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU FORGOT, YOU'VE GOT A COUPLE OF SPECIAL PEOPLE  
9 WITH YOU THAT YOU WANTED TO INTRODUCE.

10

11 **WESLEY K. TANAKA:** I HAVE MY WIFE, ERIN. [ LAUGHTER ]

12

13 **WESLEY K. TANAKA:** THANK YOU. YOU DIDN'T GET ME IN TROUBLE. AND  
14 MY MOTHER. MOM. [ APPLAUSE ]

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** BOY, I SAVED YOUR BACON, DIDN'T I?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR PRESENTATIONS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A LITTLE BOY NAMED HENRY. HE'S ONE  
21 YEAR OLD. YOU CAN CALL (562) 728-4644. THIS IS ANOTHER DISNEY-  
22 TYPE DOG, SO HE LIKES DISNEY MOVIES AND A LOOK-ALIKE. THIS IS  
23 LITTLE HANK, LITTLE HENRY. SO HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. HE'S A  
24 LITTLE NERVOUS. ANYBODY'D LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE HENRY. HOW  
25 ABOUT YOU, SUZY? NO?

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2 **SUP. KNABE:** OH, LOOK AT THAT. WHAT A CUTIE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PUT HIM IN A NEW FLUBBER MOVIE. ONE YEAR OLD.

5 52 WEEKS. OKAY. OKAY, HENRY.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT LIGHTNING MUST HAVE BEEN RIGHT OVER OUR

8 BUILDING.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CLOSE, CLOSE. I'M MORE AFRAID OF MY WIFE

11 THAN I AM IN LOVE WITH THE DOG.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BEFORE WE START ON OUR

14 SPECIALS, I'D LIKE TO ASK OUR HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC

15 WORKS, GAIL FARBER, IF SHE'D COME UP AND JOIN US TO GIVE US A

16 BRIEFING OF OUR PREPAREDNESS FOR OUR STORM. I THINK SHE IS

17 HERE. AND ALSO LIKE TO INVITE CHIEF FREEMAN TO JOIN US AS

18 WELL, AS THEY'VE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER ON THESE ITEMS, AS WELL

19 AS TO BRING US AN UPDATE ON OUR TEAM IN HAITI. SO, HOW DO WE

20 WANT TO START? CHIEF, DO YOU WANT TO START WITH TELLING US

21 ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON? WE'VE HEARD GREAT THINGS AND WATCHED

22 THE NEWS ABOUT OUR TEAM OUT THERE AND THEIR GREAT EFFORTS.

23 MAYBE WE CAN SHARE THAT AND THEN WE CAN GO ON.

24



1 **CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE  
2 BOARD. OUR PERSONNEL, THERE ARE ACTUALLY 75 PERSONNEL FROM LOS  
3 ANGELES COUNTY. SIX OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS ARE CIVILIAN MEMBERS  
4 OF OUR TEAM THAT ARE NOT L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEES. WE HAVE THREE  
5 STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS, THREE MEDICAL DOCTORS AND ONE OF THE  
6 CANINE HANDLERS, BUT THEY HAVE BEEN ON THE GROUND IN HAITI  
7 SINCE LAST THURSDAY AND THEY'RE PARTICIPATING IN A VERY  
8 ORGANIZED, SYSTEMATIC SEARCH AND THEN RESCUE OF HUMAN BEINGS.  
9 THIS COORDINATION IS BEING DONE FOR OUR TEAM BY U.S.A. I.D.  
10 AND TO DATE OUR TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR NINE LIVE RESCUES.  
11 THEY WERE ALSO INVOLVED IN TWO ADDITIONAL RESCUES, WHICH WERE  
12 HANDED OFF TO A TEAM WHO RELIEVED THEM ON SITE AND THOSE WERE  
13 SUCCESSFUL AS WELL. ALL TOLD, THERE HAVE BEEN 70 DIFFERENT  
14 RESCUES MADE BY 30 DIFFERENT TEAMS FROM ACROSS THE WORLD THAT  
15 ARE OPERATING THERE. THE IMPORTANT THING IS OUR PERSONNEL ARE  
16 WITHOUT ANY INJURY OTHER THAN SOME SCRAPES AND BRUISES AND  
17 THINGS OF THAT NATURE. THEY'RE DOING VERY HEAVY WORK. THEY'VE  
18 DIVIDED THE TEAM INTO TWO SUBTEAMS, A RED TEAM AND A BLUE  
19 TEAM. AND WHERE NECESSARY, THEY'RE BOTH WORKING TOGETHER. AT  
20 OTHER TIMES, ONE TEAM IS REHABILITATING AND RETOOLING WHILE  
21 THE REMAINDER DOES THE WORK. THEY'RE ALL IN GOOD HEALTH AND  
22 THEY'RE IN GOOD SPIRITS, AND WE HAVE HAD CONTINUED TO STAY IN  
23 TOUCH WITH THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS WHO ARE HERE AT HOME. WE HAVE  
24 A TREMENDOUS SUPPORT TEAM THAT'S ALSO HERE, STAFFED UP 24/7  
25 SUPPORTING THAT OPERATION. SO AT THIS TIME, WE ANTICIPATE THAT

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1 THEY WILL BE ENGAGED THROUGH THE REST OF THIS WEEK. AND AGAIN  
2 WE'LL GET GUIDANCE AND DECISION MAKING FROM U.S.A. I.D., BUT  
3 WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF YOUR BOARD AND THE  
4 COUNTY AND THE ABILITY TO HAVE OUR PEOPLE DEPLOY LIKE THIS. I  
5 DO WANT TO REEMPHASIZE THAT WHILE THEY ARE GONE, WE HAVE  
6 TRAINED QUALIFIED PERSONNEL THAT ARE FILLING THEIR PLACES  
7 HERE. A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE WORKING ADDITIONAL HOURS. BUT AGAIN,  
8 THIS IS FUNDED THROUGH THE U.S.A.I.D. CONTRACT THAT WE HAVE  
9 WITH U.S. GOVERNMENT. SO AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY  
10 TO BRIEF.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** (OFF-MIKE) .

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14 **CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN:** YES, INDEED.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S BEEN WONDERFUL TO WATCH THEM ON THE  
17 NEWS AND TO SEE OUR TEAM OUT THERE AND DOING SUCH AN EFFECTIVE  
18 JOB. PLEASE CONGRATULATE THEM ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US.

19

20 **CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN:** WE CERTAINLY WILL. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. GAIL, WHY DON'T WE BEGIN WITH  
23 YOU WITH REGARD TO OUR PREPAREDNESS FOR THE DOWNPOUR THAT  
24 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THIS WEEK AND HOW WE'VE BEEN DOING.

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1   **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU. THREE OF US ARE HERE AS A JOINT  
2   FOOTHILL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM. THE FOOTHILL INCIDENT  
3   MANAGEMENT TEAM IS A MULTI-AGENCY, MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL TEAM  
4   THAT WAS FORMED FOLLOWING THE RECENTLY WILDFIRES TO PLAN FOR  
5   AND RESPOND TO ANTICIPATED LARGER-THAN-NORMAL MUD AND DEBRIS  
6   FLOWS FROM THE COMMUNITIES, WITHIN THE COMMUNITIES DOWNSTREAM  
7   OF THE BURNED AREAS, AND THE TEAM MEMBERS INCLUDE THE COUNTY  
8   PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE, SHERIFFS, U.S. FOREST SERVICE, NATIONAL  
9   WEATHER SERVICE, U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS, C.H.P., AMERICAN RED  
10   CROSS, AND THE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. AND AS I  
11   SAID, THE TEAM'S BEEN MEETING REGULARLY SINCE OCTOBER TO  
12   PREPARE FOR THIS KIND OF APPROACHING SCENARIO. AND OUR  
13   PREPARATIONS, IN FACT, BEGAN IN SEPTEMBER WHILE THE FIRES WERE  
14   STILL BURNING. AS YOU KNOW, THE STATION FIRE BURNED OR  
15   DESTROYED MORE THAN 163,000 ACRES OF THE ANGELES NATIONAL  
16   FOREST AND SUBSEQUENTLY INCREASED THE POTENTIAL RISK OF  
17   STORMS, SEASONED MUD AND DEBRIS FLOWS. SO BECAUSE OF THIS  
18   RISK, ADDITIONAL FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM PREPARATIONS WERE  
19   PLANNED AND HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. THERE ARE 28 DEBRIS BASINS  
20   WITHIN THE BURN AREA, AND ALL 28 HAVE BEEN CLEANED OUT TO 100%  
21   CAPACITY IN PREPARATION FOR THESE STORMS. CAPACITY AT EIGHT OF  
22   THE DEBRIS BASINS HAS ALSO BEEN TEMPORARILY INCREASED IN ORDER  
23   TO HANDLE THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASED FLOWS. CONCRETE BARRIER K-  
24   RAIL AND SANDBAG AND DEBRIS FLOW DIVERSION STRUCTURES HAVE  
25   BEEN DESIGNED AND PLACED IN SEVERAL OF THE AT-RISK COMMUNITIES



1 AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS. AND COUNTY ENGINEERS HAVE MET WITH MORE  
2 THAN 500 PROPERTY OWNERS AND PROVIDED ENGINEERING ADVICE AND  
3 EXPERTISE ON BUILDING DEBRIS FLOW DIVERSION STRUCTURES TO  
4 PROTECT THEIR PROPERTY. AND MANY OF THESE STRUCTURES ARE IN  
5 PLACE AND YOU CAN SEE THEM THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITIES. AS PART  
6 OF CARE, THE COORDINATED AGENCY RECOVERY EFFORT, WE'VE JOINED  
7 COUNTY FIRE AND SHERIFFS AT 27 COMMUNITY MEETINGS ALONG THE  
8 FOOTHILLS AND IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHERE WE'VE MET AND  
9 TALKED WITH THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS ON THE STORM PREPARATIONS  
10 BEING PUT IN PLACE AND WHAT THEY SHOULD BE DOING TO PREPARE  
11 FOR THESE DEBRIS FLOWS. DURING THESE STORMS, PUBLIC WORKS IS  
12 RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT THE FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM IS  
13 OPERATING EFFECTIVELY. WE'VE BEEN MEETING REGULARLY WITH OUR  
14 JOINT INCIDENT COMMANDERS ALMOST DAILY AND HOURLY DURING THESE  
15 STORM EVENTS TO PLAN TO RESPOND TO THESE EVENTS. PUBLIC WORK'S  
16 RESPONSIBILITY IN OBSERVING AND MONITORING OUR FLOOD CONTROL  
17 SYSTEM INCLUDES UTILIZING RAIN GAUGES, VIDEO CAMERAS AND  
18 PHYSICAL PATROLS TO CONTINUALLY GATHER INTELLIGENCE REGARDING  
19 THE RAINFALL AMOUNTS AS WELL AS HOW THE SLOPES ARE HOLDING UP.  
20 WE ARE ALSO DEPLOYING RESOURCES TO MOVE DEBRIS FLOWS FROM  
21 ROADWAYS AND KEEP THEM CLEAR FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE VEHICLES.  
22 GIVEN THE WEATHER FORECAST FOR TOMORROW AND THURSDAY, IT IS  
23 LIKELY THAT EVACUATIONS WILL BE ORDERED BY THE JOINT INCIDENT  
24 COMMAND. AND EVACUATION PLANS HAVE ALREADY BEEN FORMULATED AND



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1 WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN DEEMED NECESSARY. I WILL HAND IT OVER  
2 TO OUR SHERIFFS TO TALK ABOUT HOW THAT PROCESS PLAYS OUT.

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4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. WE'RE THE LEAD AGENCY WITH EVACUATIONS,  
5 WITH OBVIOUSLY THE ASSISTS WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

6 YESTERDAY, FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAD 64 EVACUATIONS THAT WENT VERY  
7 SMOOTHLY AND ALL THOSE PEOPLE ARE BACK IN THEIR HOMES TODAY.

8 THE RESIDENTS NEED TO BE PREPARED FOR EVACUATION AND NEED TO  
9 BE COOPERATIVE WHEN ASKED. ONE OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE'RE

10 HAVING RIGHT NOW IS WITH LOOKIE LOOS COMING INTO THE AREA, AND  
11 IT'S FORCING US NOW TO DO SOME SOFT CLOSURES TO MAKE SURE THAT

12 PUBLIC WORKS CAN GET THEIR WORK DONE DO WITHOUT BEING

13 INTERFERED WITH. AND IT'S NOT BECOME A SERIOUS PROBLEM. THE

14 ONLY ROAD CLOSURES RIGHT NOW ARE IN THE FOREST AREA BETWEEN

15 THE COUNTY ROADS. AND CALTRANS HAS CLOSED BIG TUJUNGA CANYON

16 FROM THE L.A. CITY LINE NORTH TO UPPER BIG TUJUNGA. ANGELES

17 FOREST, FROM ANGELES CREST TO ALISO CANYON. AND THEN CALTRANS

18 HAS CLOSED THE ANGELES CREST HIGHWAY FROM LA CANADA NORTH TO

19 HIGHWAY 39. WE HAVE A HOST OF STATIONS ON STANDBY. AT ANY

20 MOMENT WE CAN BRING IN HALF THE FIELD FORCE FROM THE SHERIFF'S

21 DEPARTMENT TO DO EVACUATIONS IF WE NEED TO. AND RIGHT NOW OUR

22 BIGGEST CONCERNS ARE OBVIOUSLY LA CANADA, LA CRESCENTA, AND

23 THERE ARE SOME MINOR CONCERNS ABOUT THE ACTON AREA, BUT WE

24 HAVE PLANS TO GET DEPUTIES THERE WHENEVER THEY NEED TO DO THE

25 EVACUATIONS.



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2 **CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN:** AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE

3 BOARD, FIRE DEPARTMENT IS IN A MODE OF LEANING FORWARD WITH

4 ADDITIONAL URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE CAPABILITY. ALSO, TODAY WE

5 HAVE A K-9 -- TWO K-9 HANDLERS AVAILABLE. AND OUR EXPRESS

6 PURPOSE IS TO ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE

7 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND EYES ON THE SITUATION. WE'VE GOT

8 ADDITIONAL STAFFING PATROLLING AND LOOKING FOR ANY SIGNS OR

9 INDICATIONS OF PROBLEMS. AND THEN WE ARE STAFFED UP AND

10 PREPARED, CAN GO TO STAFFING AS HIGH AS 100 ADDITIONAL

11 PERSONNEL TO BE SURE THAT IF THERE IS ANY NEED FOR SEARCH AND

12 RESCUE THAT WE HAVE THAT CAPABILITY. WE'RE ALSO IN CONTACT

13 WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THEY ALSO HAVE SOME AREAS THAT

14 ARE OF CONCERN. WE ARE IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THEM SO THAT WE

15 CAN SUPPORT THEM, THEM US, AS WELL AS THE ENTIRE FIVE-COUNTY

16 REGION IF THERE'S A NEED FOR MAJOR RESPONSE FOR URBAN SEARCH

17 AND RESCUE. BUT THE COORDINATION, THE UNIFIED COMMAND THAT YOU

18 SEE HERE TODAY AND WHAT IS PROVIDING GUIDANCE IS VERY

19 IMPORTANT. AND, IN FACT, IN ONE OF OUR RESCUES IN HAITI, IT

20 WAS NOTED AND VERY MUCH APPRECIATED THAT A SEARCH AND RESCUE

21 TEAM FROM PANAMA, WHICH WAS IN CHARGE OF A MULTI-AGENCY SEARCH

22 AND RESCUE, WAS USING UNIFIED COMMAND AND THE COMMAND

23 STRUCTURE THAT WE USE HERE IN CALIFORNIA AND HERE IN OUR

24 NATION. SO IT'S WORLDWIDE AND THAT ASSURES SAFE, EFFECTIVE

25 UTILIZATION OF PERSONNEL IN THESE TYPES OF EVENTS.

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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GREAT. WELL, I APPRECIATE THE PLANNING AND  
3 THE PROCESS THAT YOU'VE HAD IN ALL THE MONTHS PRIOR. I'M SURE  
4 THE RESIDENTS WILL AS WELL. AND, IN FACT, ALL OF THE  
5 COORDINATION I THINK THAT HAS BEEN DONE UP TO NOW. HOPEFULLY  
6 EVERYONE WILL BE SAFE AND WE WON'T HAVE ANY MAJOR INCIDENTS.  
7 BUT THERE'S NOTHING BETTER THAN BEING PREPARED, AS ALL OF YOU  
8 ARE. ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT FROM MY COLLEAGUES? MIKE?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AFTER THE FIRE, WE DID THE DEBRIS BASIN  
11 CLEAN-UPS. HOW HAVE THOSE BASINS HELD UP AND ARE ANY  
12 OVERFLOWING NOW?

13

14 **GAIL FARBER:** ALL THE BASINS ARE HOLDING UP FINE. SOME ARE  
15 REACHING CAPACITY, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, A LOT OF THAT, WHEN  
16 THEY DO OVERFILL, CAN OVERTOP WITH WATER. THEY'RE NOT FILLED  
17 TO CAPACITY WITH DEBRIS AT THIS TIME, SO WE'RE CONTINUING TO  
18 MONITOR THAT. BUT THEY'RE HOLDING UP FINE AND THEY'RE  
19 FUNCTIONING AS PLANNED.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN BETWEEN THE PERIODS OF RAINFALL, IS YOUR  
22 STAFF ABLE TO GET THE BASINS THAT FILLED, HAVE THE DEBRIS  
23 REMOVED?

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1   **GAIL FARBER:** UP TO THIS POINT WE HAVE. IF THERE'S A BREAK IN  
2   THE STORMS, AS WE'VE SEEN IN THE LAST SERIES OF STORMS, WE'VE  
3   BEEN ABLE TO GO IN AFTER THE RAIN AND CLEAR THOSE OUT AND  
4   RECEIVE CAPACITY. AS YOU SEE RIGHT NOW, THE SERIES OF STORMS,  
5   THAT IS A CONCERN THAT IF WE DON'T GET A BREAK IN THE RAIN, IT  
6   DOES MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO BRING IN THE EXCAVATORS AND REMOVE  
7   THE DEBRIS. BUT WE ARE WATCHING THAT CAREFULLY AND AS SOON AS  
8   WE GET A BREAK, WE'LL BE OUT THERE MAKING THOSE ARRANGEMENTS.

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10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH SPECIFIC ROADS ARE BEING CLOSED RIGHT  
11   NOW?

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13   **GAIL FARBER:** AS WE MENTIONED, THE ONES IN THE FOREST, WE HAVE  
14   BIG T, LOWER BIG T AND ANGELES CREST. LET ME GET THE LIMITS.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CALTRANS.

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18   **GAIL FARBER:** YEAH. ANGELES FOREST FROM ANGELES CREST TO ALISA  
19   CANYON.

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21   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THE K-RAILS AND THE SANDBAGS THAT WE  
22   PROVIDED DOING THE JOB THAT WE THOUGHT THEY WOULD DO?

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24   **GAIL FARBER:** AT THIS POINT, PRETTY MUCH THEY HAVE. THEY'RE  
25   BEING USED TO DIVERT THE MUD FLOWS. PROPERTY OWNERS HAVE

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1    INSTALLED SOME K-RAIL AS WELL AND THAT'S FUNCTIONING AND  
2    HELPING US TREMENDOUSLY.

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4    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AND THE WEB  
5    PAGE FOR PEOPLE TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION?

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7    **GAIL FARBER:** THEY CAN CERTAINLY CONTACT THE CARE WEB SITE,  
8    WHICH IS DPWCARE.ORG, TO STAY INFORMED OF ANY EVACUATIONS AS  
9    WELL AS THE SITUATION OF THE ROAD CLOSURES.

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11    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW CAN THE PUBLIC ASSIST?

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13    **GAIL FARBER:** I'LL TURN THAT FOR THE SHERIFF.

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15    **SPEAKER:** THE BEST WAY THEY CAN ASSIST IS ANYBODY IN THE AREAS  
16    THAT ARE MOST IN DANGER FROM THE FLOODS BE PREPARED FOR  
17    EVACUATIONS AND TO BE PREPARED TO MOVE QUICKLY. WHAT WE'RE  
18    REALLY ASKING IS FOR PEOPLE TO STAY INFORMED, LISTEN TO THE  
19    NEWS, KEEP TRACK OF WHAT'S GOING ON. AND FOR PEOPLE OUTSIDE  
20    THE AREA, PLEASE DO NOT COME INSIDE THE AREA, YOU'RE JUST  
21    CAUSING A PROBLEM FOR EVERYBODY INVOLVED.

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23    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND RELATIVE TO EVACUATIONS, WHERE ARE THE  
24    PEOPLE EVACUATED TO?

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1 **SPEAKER:** THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED EVACUATION -- I DON'T HAVE THE  
2 LIST WITH ME. WE HAVE ESTABLISHED EVACUATION POINTS TO GO TO  
3 DEPENDING ON WHAT AREA IS BEING EVACUATED. THE RED CROSS HAS  
4 BEEN VERY GOOD ABOUT PRE-PREPARING ALL THE PLACES, SO WE'RE  
5 SET UP EVERY TIME IT HAPPENS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND FOR THE EVACUATIONS OVER THE WEEKEND, HOW  
8 MANY PEOPLE WERE EVACUATED AND HOW MANY WERE LEFT BEHIND?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** WELL, ACTUALLY, FOR YESTERDAY'S, FOR EXAMPLE, OUT OF  
11 THE 64, WE HAD MUCH BETTER COOPERATION WITH EVACUATIONS THAN  
12 WE DID BACK IN DECEMBER. PEOPLE HAVE REALLY GOTTEN TO  
13 UNDERSTAND HOW SERIOUS THIS CAN BE AND ARE BEING CAUTIOUS  
14 ABOUT IT, SO I WOULD SAY THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF PEOPLE  
15 ACTUALLY DID LEAVE THEIR HOMES, WHICH IS A BIG IMPROVEMENT  
16 OVER WHAT HAPPENED IN DECEMBER.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHIEF FREEMAN, DO WE HAVE ADEQUATE SEARCH AND  
19 RESCUE AND SWIFT WATER TEAMS AVAILABLE?

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21 **CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN:** YES, SIR, WE DO. AS THE TEAM WAS  
22 PREPARING TO DEPART FOR HAITI WITH THE PREDICTED RAINFALL, WE  
23 WERE ALREADY BACK-FILLING TO BE SURE THAT WE HAD ADEQUATE  
24 STAFFING AND EQUIPMENT TO DO THE JOB HERE LOCALLY. AND AS I  
25 INDICATED PREVIOUSLY, OUR COOPERATORS, THE OTHER FIRE



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1 DEPARTMENTS IN THE AREA, HAVE REACHED OUT TO US AND WE DO HAVE  
2 SUFFICIENT STAFFING ON A DAILY BASIS WITH OUR PERSONNEL AS  
3 WELL AS MUTUAL AID, IF NECESSARY.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO RELATIVE TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE  
6 SHERIFF, PUBLIC WORKS, THE SHERIFF AND THE FIRE, ARE THERE ANY  
7 RESOURCES THAT YOU NEED, THAT THE BOARD NEEDS TO PROVIDE OR  
8 YOU HAVE ENOUGH RESOURCES TO HANDLE THE JOB?

9

10 **CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN:** AS FAR AS THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WE'RE IN  
11 GOOD SHAPE AND NO NEED FOR ANYTHING AT THIS TIME, THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WOULD SAY THE SAME.

16

17 **GAIL FARBER:** I'LL AGREE AS WELL.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND THANK YOU. I KNOW  
20 THE RESIDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY HAVE APPRECIATED YOUR EFFORTS,  
21 ESPECIALLY AFTER THE STATION FIRE. YOU WERE THERE FROM THE  
22 BEGINNING, AND EVERYBODY WORKED TOGETHER WITH THE TOWN COUNCIL  
23 AND THE CITY COUNCIL, LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE, ALONG WITH THE  
24 TOWN COUNCIL AND KAGEL CANYON. SO IT'S A -- WE WERE  
25 ANTICIPATING THIS. WE WEREN'T ANTICIPATING FIVE OR SIX DAYS OF

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1 HEAVY RAIN. NOW I UNDERSTAND THERE'S A TORNADO WATCH. SO  
2 THAT'S FUNNY. BUT WE JUST THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROFESSIONALISM  
3 AND THE MEN AND WOMEN IN YOUR DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE HELPING TO  
4 SAVE LIFE AND PROPERTY.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. LET ME LEND MY  
9 VOICE OF COMPLIMENT TO OUR STAFF, WHO CONTINUES TO DISTINGUISH  
10 THEMSELVES AND THE QUALITY OF WORK THEY DO, PARTICULARLY AS IT  
11 RELATES TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RELATED MATTERS TO THE  
12 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE QUESTION I WISH TO ASK  
13 SPECIFICALLY PERTAINS TO THE TORNADO WATCH, AND IT'S MY  
14 UNDERSTANDING THAT THE NORTHERN PORTION OF LONG BEACH AND  
15 SIGNIFICANT PORTIONS OF SOUTH L.A. HAPPENS TO BE OF GREAT  
16 CONCERN. IF YOU CAN VERIFY THAT AND AMPLIFY AS DEEMED  
17 APPROPRIATE, THERE COULD BE OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY THAT WE  
18 NEED TO BE MADE AWARE OF, AND WHAT SPECIFICALLY THE PLAN OF  
19 ACTION IS PERTAINING TO THE OVERALL NOTION OF A TORNADO WATCH.

20

21 **GAIL FARBER:** YES. THANK YOU. WE'RE CONTINUING TO MONITOR THE  
22 WEATHER WITH THE NATIONAL -- WITH N.O.A.A. AND OTHER AGENCIES  
23 AND WATCHING THE TORNADO AS WELL, AND MEETING IN INCIDENT  
24 COMMAND AS THAT UNFOLDS. I DON'T HAVE THE CURRENT AS FAR AS  
25 WHAT TRAJECTORY AND PREDICTIONS RIGHT NOW. BUT WE CERTAINLY

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1 WILL REPORT BACK, AND OUR INCIDENT COMMANDERS WITH ANY  
2 ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONS OR MEDIA MESSAGES THAT WE NEED TO GET  
3 OUT TO EVERYBODY IN ORDER TO PREPARE FOR THAT AND RESPOND TO  
4 THAT.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHAT IS YOUR PROTOCOL IN THE EVENT OF  
7 SPECIFIC AREAS NEEDING TO BE ALERTED?

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9 **GAIL FARBER:** OUR PROTOCOL RIGHT NOW IS AS OUR JOINT INCIDENT  
10 COMMAND BETWEEN POLICE, SHERIFF, AND FIRE WORK TOGETHER, WE'LL  
11 TAKE THAT INFORMATION AS FAR AS WHAT POTENTIAL IMPACTS AND  
12 PRECAUTIONS ARE. WE'LL DEVELOP A MEDIA STRATEGY, AS WELL AS  
13 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE STRATEGY. GET THAT OUT TO  
14 THE BOARD AND GET THAT OUT TO THE MEDIA THROUGH THE PROPER  
15 CHANNELS. DEPENDING ON THE SENSE OF URGENCY, WHAT TYPE OF  
16 ALERT SYSTEMS WE USE, OR WHETHER WE COULD DO A PRESS  
17 CONFERENCE, OR WHETHER THAT WOULD GO ON THE MEDIA NEWS, WE'LL  
18 MAKE THOSE DECISIONS AT THAT TIME.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND SO I SUSPECT THAT EITHER THROUGH YOUR  
21 RESPECTIVE OFFICES AND/OR THE C.E.O., THE BOARD OFFICES IN  
22 QUESTION OR THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD WILL BE ALERTED RATHER  
23 IMMEDIATELY FIRST CALLS SO THAT THE EXTENT TO WHICH OUR  
24 OFFICES ARE IMPACTED, WE ARE BEST PREPARED TO RESPOND BOTH  
25 INTELLIGENTLY AND CONSISTENTLY WITH THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS



1 AND PROCEDURES. IF THAT IS NOT THE PROTOCOL, MAY I STRONGLY  
2 RECOMMEND THAT SUCH BE THE CASE. BECAUSE THERE IS NO WAY IN  
3 WHICH OUR OFFICES WON'T BE CALLED. AND I THINK WE SHOULD BE  
4 WELL SUITED TO BE IN FULL COORDINATION. NOT DUPLICATIONS, BUT  
5 FOLLOWING THE LEAD OF THE PROFESSIONALS. WE CAN ONLY FOLLOW IF  
6 WE ARE APPROPRIATELY APPRISED OF WHAT IS TO TAKE PLACE AND THE  
7 MANNER IN WHICH IT'S TO BE TAKING PLACE. SO, MADAM CHAIR, THAT  
8 WOULD ESSENTIALLY CONCLUDE THE QUESTIONS THAT I WOULD ASK. AND  
9 I WOULD TRUST THAT THE BOARD IS IN CONCERT AS TO THE WAY IN  
10 WHICH AND THE FREQUENCY WITH WHICH WE SHOULD BE UPDATED AS TO  
11 TORNADO WATCHES OR ANY OTHER ASPECTS OF THE STORM THAT WE  
12 SHOULD BE MADE AWARE OF.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK THEY HAVE BEEN ALERTING US BY  
15 EMAILS AND THINGS OF THAT SORT. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** TO FOLLOW UP. OUR OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
18 HAS BEEN NOTIFYING US. THEY'RE IN SYNC. WE'VE BEEN GETTING  
19 WEATHER REPORTS, I BELIEVE N.O.A.A. OUT OF BOTH SAN DIEGO AS  
20 WELL AS VENTURA. AND INDICATIONS ARE THAT, YOU KNOW, IT'S  
21 STILL MOVING, BUT MORE IN A NORTHEASTERLY, SOME POTENTIAL HAIL  
22 AND STRAIGHT LINE WINDS, THOSE KINDS OF THINGS, SO APPRECIATE  
23 ALL YOU CAN DO. I JUST WANTED TO ADD, I MEAN OBVIOUSLY I HAD  
24 AN ISSUE WITH SOME FIRES DOWN IN PALOS VERDES. AND WE HAVEN'T  
25 HAD ANY FOLLOW-UP ISSUES SO FAR WITH THE RAIN. BUT I THINK THE

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1 PREPARATION, THE COMMUNITY MEETINGS REALLY HAD A POSITIVE  
2 IMPACT. AND THE FACT THAT YOU ALL GOT OUT AHEAD AND STARTED  
3 CLEANING OUT THE BASINS I THINK SAVED US A WHOLE LOT OF  
4 TROUBLE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO TO BOTH FIRE AND THE  
5 SHERIFF AND PUBLIC WORKS WORKING TOGETHER LIKE WE DO, LIKE YOU  
6 SAID, WE'VE HAD OTHER PROGRAMS WHERE UNIFIED COMMANDS WORK  
7 TOGETHER. AND AS CHIEF FREEMAN AND I BOTH KNOW FROM OUR TIME  
8 ON THE HOMELAND SECURITY COMMISSION, THE NATIONAL INSTANT  
9 MANAGEMENT STRATEGY PLAN IS BASICALLY AN OVERLAY OF WHAT WE  
10 HAVE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** GOT A FEW ROUGH DAYS AHEAD.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YEAH, IT WILL BE ROUGH. AGAIN, THANK YOU  
17 FOR YOUR PREPAREDNESS AND YOUR REPORT. AND AGAIN, PLEASE SEND  
18 US ANY UPDATES AS ANY INCIDENT OCCURS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

19

20 **GAIL FARBER:** WELCOME.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THAT ITEM, I HAD A MOTION  
23 THAT I HAD HELD FOR THIS REPORT. ITEM 64-C. MY UNDERSTANDING  
24 THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WANTED ME TO INCLUDE THE SALVATION  
25 ARMY TO THIS MOTION. THIS IS AGAIN ON THE MOTION WITH REGARD



1 TO HAITI. SO WITH THAT, I WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
2 ANTONOVICH. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE  
3 ITEMS. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR ITEMS. YOU'RE  
4 UP FIRST IN YOUR SPECIALS.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. TWO ITEMS, AND WITH  
7 RESPECT TO ADJOURNING MOTIONS, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS MARIAN G.  
8 BROOME, BORN JUNE OF 1934, PASSED ON DECEMBER 22 OF LAST YEAR  
9 AT THE AGE OF 75. MRS. BROOME WAS THE FOUNDING DIRECTOR OF  
10 U.C.L.A.'S EMERITI CENTER, AND THE WIDOW OF LAW ENFORCEMENT  
11 PIONEER HOMER BROOME, JR. SHE WAS A BOARD MEMBER OF A NUMBER  
12 OF CHARITABLE CIVIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS. HER FINAL ROLE  
13 WAS AS CHAIRWOMAN OF THE BROOME FAMILY FOUNDATION. MARIAN  
14 BROOME WAS ADMIRER BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR HER WISDOM, HER  
15 PATIENCE AND HER ENCOURAGEMENT. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER  
16 MEMORY HER CHILDREN, DAVID AND MARGARET. SECONDLY, MADAM  
17 CHAIR, PAUL CARLTON BRYANT, LEGENDARY JAZZ MUSICIAN, WHO  
18 PASSED ON DECEMBER THE 4TH AT THE AGE OF 76. BORN IN 1933 IN  
19 ASBURY PARK, NEW JERSEY. HE STUDIED PIANO FROM THE AGE OF FOUR  
20 TO THE AGE OF 20. HE WAS CONSIDERED A CHILD PRODIGY AND  
21 APPEARED ON C.B.S. RADIO IN 1942, WHEN HE WAS ONLY 11 YEARS  
22 OLD. HE WAS ALSO FEATURED IN SEVERAL MOVIES FROM THE DECADE OF  
23 1938 TO 1948, INCLUDING "THE JACKIE ROBINSON STORY," "UNCLE  
24 TOM'S CABIN" AND "YANKEE DOODLE DANDY." HE GRADUATED FROM  
25 JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE HE PLAYED IN A JAZZ BAND WITH





1 LEGENDARY MUSICIANS FROM FRANK MORGAN AND ART FARMER, ED  
2 THIGPEN AND BUDDY COLLETTE. HE ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES  
3 AIR FORCE AND PLAYED IN A 16-PIECE DANCE BAND WHICH WAS PART  
4 OF THE SPECIAL SERVICES UNIT. HE MASTERED THE ORGAN IN 1956,  
5 FORMED HIS OWN GROUP AND BY THE 1960S, SIGNED ON AN EXCLUSIVE  
6 RECORDING CONTRACT WITH PACIFIC JAZZ RECORDS. A DISTINGUISHED  
7 MUSICIAN OF INTERNATIONAL RENOWN, HE WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE  
8 STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES FOR HIS  
9 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LEGACY OF JAZZ. HE WAS TRAINED IN  
10 CLASSICAL PIANO AND HAD A DEEP APPRECIATION FOR ALL OF THE  
11 GIFTS GOD GAVE HIM. HE WILL INDEED BE REMEMBERED FONDLY FOR  
12 HIS WISDOM, HIS LOVE OF LIFE AND HIS LOVE OF BASEBALL. HE IS  
13 SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, CARLTON AND ANGELA; HIS DAUGHTER-IN-  
14 LAW, ANGELA; HIS SON-IN-LAW, DEMONO; AND SISTERS, BRENDA AND  
15 MICHELLE; FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND NUMEROUS OTHER RELATIVES AND  
16 FRIENDS. THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OFF-MIKE.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT. GLAD TO INCLUDE MR. YAROSLAVSKY ON  
23 THE BROOME ADJOURNING MOTION. MAY I PROCEED TO THE MOTION WITH  
24 RESPECT TO THE ASSISTANCE OF THE PEOPLE TO HAITI AND EMERGENCY  
25 PREPAREDNESS, MADAM CHAIR?

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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, PLEASE.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CONSISTENT WITH THE CHAIR'S MOTION AND THE  
5 REPORT THAT WE HEARD FROM THE FIRE CHIEF, MAY I THEN JUST ADD  
6 MY VOICE OF COMMENDATION TO OUR TEAM, THAT IS THE COUNTY'S  
7 URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM, AND TO CALL THAT WE DIRECT THE  
8 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SEND THE APPROPRIATE COMMUNICATIONS  
9 TO THE PRESIDENT FOR HIS DECISIVE ACTION. AND IN ADDITION TO  
10 THAT, TO POST ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE INFORMATION ON HOW THE  
11 RESIDENTS OF THIS COUNTY CAN PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE PEOPLE  
12 OF HAITI SIMILAR TO WHAT IS PRESENTED ON THE WEBSITE OF THE  
13 OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, PREPARE THE APPROPRIATE REPORT TO THE  
14 BOARD DUE WITHIN 10 DAYS ON WHICH WAYS COUNTY EMPLOYEES MAY  
15 CONTRIBUTE TO RESCUE AND RECOVERY EFFORTS SHOULD THEY BE SO  
16 INCLINED. AND FINALLY, WORK WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY  
17 MANAGEMENT ON A CAMPAIGN TO REMIND COUNTY RESIDENTS TO BE  
18 PREPARED FOR MAJOR DISASTER WHICH COULD, IN FACT, STRIKE OUR  
19 OWN COUNTY AT ANY TIME AND TO INCLUDE CAMPAIGN PROPOSALS IN  
20 THE SAME REPORT. I WOULD SO MOVE, MADAM CHAIR.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THESE ARE ALL REPORTS. OTHER  
23 THAN A 5-SIGNATURE LETTER. CAN THAT BE DONE? IT CAN, RIGHT? IT  
24 CAN, RIGHT?

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1   **ROBERT KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** I BELIEVE SO, SUPERVISOR. HOWEVER, I  
2   THINK IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE FOR -- FINDING OF URGENCY.

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4   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO MOVED, MADAM CHAIR.

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6   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SECOND.

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8   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT HAS BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED, FINDING OF  
9   URGENCY AND MOVE FORWARD THE ITEM. THERE IS NO OBJECTION. SO  
10   ORDERED.

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12   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS  
13   FOR THE DAY.

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15   **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, I KNOW ZEV IS UP NEXT, BUT ON ITEM  
16   46, I ASKED TO HOLD IT. THE INDIVIDUAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT IS  
17   UNABLE TO BE HERE THIS AFTERNOON, SO I'D LIKE TO CONTINUE ITEM  
18   46 ONE WEEK.

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20   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL CONTINUE ITEM 46.  
21   THERE'S NO OBJECTION. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR SPECIALS.

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23   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. FIRST MADAM CHAIR,  
24   LET ME ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DARIN CHILDERS,  
25   PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 43 AFTER A SHORT-TERM BATTLE WITH



1   CANCER. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S HEALTH  
2   HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DIVISION IN 1995 AND SERVED IN THE  
3   INSPECTION SECTION, EMERGENCY OPERATIONS SECTION AND SPECIAL  
4   OPERATIONS SECTION, AND BOTH THE CALIFORNIA ACCIDENTAL RELEASE  
5   PREVENTION PROGRAM AND INVESTIGATION UNIT. MOST RECENTLY, HE  
6   WAS ASSIGNED TO INVESTIGATE CRIMINAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WASTE  
7   COMPLAINTS. DARIN CHILDERS IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LUCRETIA;  
8   A SON, ZACHARY; HIS PARENTS, WALTER AND MICKEY; AS WELL AS A  
9   BROTHER, DEAN. A CONSTITUENT OF MINE IN THE SAN FERNANDO  
10   VALLEY IN WEST HILLS. I ASK, AND I DON'T HAVE THE INFORMATION,  
11   BUT I'LL GET IT TO THE BOARD SECRETARY. ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
12   MY COUSIN, SAADIA GELB, A RESIDENT KIBBUTZ FAR BLOOM IN  
13   ISRAEL, BORN IN EUROPE, RAISED IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA,  
14   IMMIGRATED TO ISRAEL IN 1947. SETTLED IN A KIBBUTZ IN AFULA  
15   VALLEY, BECAME A VERY IMPORTANT IDEOLOGICAL FIXTURE IN THE  
16   LABOR PARTY IN ISRAEL, DIED AT THE AGE OF SOMEWHERE AROUND 95  
17   OVER THE WEEKEND. I DON'T KNOW IF ANY OF YOU HAVE BEEN TO THAT  
18   KIBBUTZ, BUT MANY ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO HAVE TRAVELED TO  
19   ISRAEL, THAT KIBBUTZ IS ON THE ITINERARY AND MEETING WITH  
20   SAADIA GELB WAS ALWAYS THE FIRST THING THAT PEOPLE DID WHEN  
21   SHE WENT TO THE KIBBUTZ. AND PEOPLE WHO MET HIM NEVER FORGOT  
22   HIM, BECAUSE HE WAS JUST A WALKING ENCYCLOPEDIA OF KNOWLEDGE  
23   OF ISRAELI HISTORY AND PERSONALLY KNEW MANY OF THE PEOPLE WHO  
24   FOUNDED THE STATE OF ISRAEL. HE WAS A GREAT RELATIVE OF OURS  
25   AND LIVED A FULL LIFE, AND ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY.

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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT ADJOURNMENT.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY HAVE A HOSTEL THERE THAT HE RAN FOR  
5 MANY YEARS. I'M SURE YOU'VE MET HIM. MADAM CHAIR, I WANT TO  
6 TAKE UP ITEM 3-D. I HAVE AN AMENDMENT.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHICH ONE IS IT?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 3-D, AS IN DAVID. I JUST WANT TO MOVE THIS  
11 AMENDMENT. MY STAFF CAN CIRCULATE THE AMENDMENT. I MOVE THAT  
12 RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 8 BE AMENDED TO READ -- I'LL READ THE  
13 WHOLE THING. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXTEND, RENEW  
14 OR REALLOCATE COSTS AMONG THE LINE ITEMS OR OTHERWISE AMEND  
15 DELIVERABLES PAYMENT SCHEDULE IN THE CONTRACT AS NEEDED TO  
16 IMPLEMENT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSING RESOURCE CENTER  
17 PROJECT SCOPE OF WORK AS AMENDED, FOLLOWING REVIEW AND  
18 APPROVAL BY THE COUNTY CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER. THEN ADD  
19 THIS ONE SENTENCE, THIS AUTHORITY SHALL NOT EXTEND TO  
20 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OR INCREASES TO CONTRACTOR FEES. AND I  
21 THINK THE DEPARTMENT IS FINE WITH THAT. THAT'S MY AMENDMENT.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT AMENDMENT HAS BEEN MOVED  
24 AND SECONDED. ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT? ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT,  
25 SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT'S THE NUMBER OF THE TARZANA ITEM?

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 63.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL CALL THAT UP.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANYONE TO SPEAK ON THAT ITEM?

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHO HELD IT? WAS IT A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC?  
11 OH, THAT'S RIGHT, WE NEED THE REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE  
12 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. DO WE HAVE THE DEPARTMENT? THERE HE COMES.  
13 ALL RIGHT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NOBODY IN THE PUBLIC, NO ONE HAS SIGNED  
16 UP? OKAY.

17

18 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISORS, LAST WEEK YOUR BOARD CONTINUED  
19 THE CONTRACTS, THE PROPOSED AGREEMENTS WITH TARZANA TREATMENT  
20 CENTER. AND I WAS INSTRUCTED TO REPORT BACK TO YOUR BOARD  
21 AFTER DISCUSSING THIS WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, DEPARTMENT  
22 OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND COUNTY COUNSEL. THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
23 HAS COMPLETED A DRAFT REPORT OF FINDINGS RELATED TO THE  
24 TARZANA TREATMENT CENTER CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS.  
25 THE ENTIRE ISSUE CONCERNS THE ALLOCATION FORMULA AND



1 CALCULATIONS FOR CERTAIN INDIRECT COSTS RELATED TO LEASED  
2 FACILITIES. LAST THURSDAY, THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DISCUSSED  
3 ITS DRAFT REPORT WITH TARZANA TREATMENT CENTER MANAGEMENT. AND  
4 THEY HAD BEGUN ADJUSTING THEIR COUNTY COST REPORTS TO ADDRESS  
5 THIS EXCESS RENT CHARGES THAT WERE IN THE -- THAT WERE  
6 IDENTIFIED IN THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S REPORT. THEY'VE  
7 ESSENTIALLY INDICATED THAT THEY ARE WILLING TO WORK WITH THE  
8 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND THE DEPARTMENTS TO RESOLVE THE ISSUES  
9 THAT HAVE COME UP RELATED TO THESE -- THE RENT CHARGES. WE  
10 ARE, AFTER CONFERRING WITH ALL THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, WE'RE  
11 RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD GO AHEAD AND APPROVE THESE  
12 CONTRACTS TODAY. ONE OF THE ISSUES IS THAT -- IS WHETHER  
13 APPROVING THEM REMOVES ANY LEVERAGE, IF YOU WILL, IN TERMS OF  
14 TRYING TO ACHIEVE RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUE OF THE COST OF THE  
15 OTHER CONTRACTS, AND THE ASSESSMENT OF THE DEPARTMENTS  
16 INVOLVED IS THAT THERE IS SUFFICIENT CONTRACTUAL LANGUAGE THAT  
17 ALLOWS RECAPTURE OF COSTS THAT ARE DETERMINED AS WELL AS THE  
18 WILLINGNESS OF TARZANA TO WORK WITH US, SO WE'RE RECOMMENDING  
19 THOSE CONTRACTS.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WILL MOVE APPROVAL.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I'M SORRY? YOU'RE ABSTAINING?

24 OH, OKAY. I COULDN'T HEAR YOU. ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTION

25 OR COMMENT? IF NOT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED



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1 BY MYSELF, AND I GUESS THE ONLY OBJECTION -- THE ONLY  
2 ABSTENTION WOULD BE FROM SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. ALL RIGHT.  
3 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MADAM CHAIR.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR  
8 SPECIALS.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME THANK JOHN AND THE DEPARTMENT, THANK  
11 YOU AND THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER FOR A QUICK TURNAROUND ON THIS.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, THAT WAS QUICK.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** APPRECIATE IT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** THERE'S A SAD SITUATION. I WANT TO ADJOURN IN THE  
18 MEMORY OF ARIELLE BHUMITRA, A DAUGHTER OF ARUN AND MARINA  
19 BHUMITRA, LONGTIME FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS WHO PASSED AWAY  
20 SUDDENLY. SHE GRADUATED FROM DUKE UNIVERSITY WITH A B.S. IN  
21 BIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY AND CERTIFICATES IN NEUROSCIENCE AND  
22 FILM. AT DUKE, SHE RESEARCHED AT THE DUKE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL  
23 CENTER AND THE DUKE PRIMATE CENTER AND RECEIVED HER JURIS  
24 DOCTORATE DEGREE AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL AND BELONGED TO THE  
25 CALIFORNIA STATE BAR. SHE ALSO WORKED IN THE FILM AND MUSIC



1 INDUSTRY AND WAS A COMPETITIVE EQUESTRIAN. IT'S A VERY TRAGIC  
2 ACCIDENT. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER PARENTS, ARUN AND MARINA;  
3 SISTER, KAYA; COUNTLESS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY  
4 MISSED BY ALL. TRAGEDY. VERY YOUNG AGE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN  
5 IN MEMORY HELEN MORAN, A VERY DEAR FRIEND OF MINE PASSED AWAY  
6 LAST WEEK. SHE'LL BE DEEPLY MISSED. I LIVED WITH HELEN AND HER  
7 HUSBAND, MY BEST BUDDY, WHEN I WAS ATTENDING COLLEGE BACK IN  
8 THE MIDWEST AND MY PARENTS WERE IN CALIFORNIA. BUT SHE LED A  
9 FULL LIFE AND SHE'LL BE MISSED BY ALL. AND SO ADJOURN IN  
10 HELEN'S MEMORY. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY YUMIKO MIAMOTO, WHO  
11 PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 15. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH  
12 HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS AFTER A VERY VALIANT STRUGGLE WITH  
13 CANCER. SURVIVED BY A GOOD FRIEND, HER HUSBAND, GORDON. ALSO  
14 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF REVA GRAZIADIO, LONGTIME  
15 BENEFACTOR TO TORRANCE MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER AND OTHER  
16 GROUPS. PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 8, AT HER HOME IN ROLLING  
17 HILLS. SHE WAS 87. REVA AND HER LATE HUSBAND GAVE GENEROUSLY  
18 TO MANY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, NOTABLY TORRANCE MEMORIAL AND  
19 OBVIOUSLY HAD THE GRAZIADIO SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT  
20 AT PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY NAMED AFTER THEM. THEY ALSO  
21 ESTABLISHED AN ITALIAN STUDIES PROGRAM AT CAL STATE LONG BEACH  
22 AND DONATED TO JOHN DOUGLAS FRENCH ALZHEIMER'S FOUNDATION,  
23 CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY, U.C.L.A., HUGH O'BRIEN YOUTH FOUNDATION  
24 AND Y.M.C.A. AT TORRANCE MEMORIAL, THE COUPLE ESTABLISHED THE  
25 GEORGE AND REVA GRAZIADIO RADIOLOGY CENTER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY

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1 HER TWO DAUGHTERS, MARY LOU AND ARLITA; HER SON, LEWIS; NINE  
2 GRANDCHILDREN AND 12 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. REVA WAS ALWAYS BY  
3 MR. GRAZIADIO'S SIDE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SANDRA  
4 LEE MATTHEWS, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. SHE SERVED IN THE  
5 UNITED STATES ARMY FOR 25 YEARS AS A SERGEANT FIRST CLASS. SHE  
6 WAS VERY INVOLVED WITH THE SCLERODERMA FOUNDATION. AS A MATTER  
7 OF FACT, WE HAD HER HERE IN REGARDS TO CELEBRATING AND MAKING  
8 PEOPLE AWARE OF THAT DISEASE. ALSO HELPING FAMILIES COPE AND  
9 ENHANCING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THIS DISEASE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY  
10 HER SON, JOSEPH; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN. SHE'LL BE DEEPLY  
11 MISSED. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAM CHAIR.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED ON THOSE  
14 ADJOURNMENTS.

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** OH, EXCUSE ME, I HAVE ONE MORE. I'M SORRY. MR.  
17 JOHN STEVENSON, LEGENDARY HEAD BASEBALL COACH AT THE EL  
18 SEGUNDO HIGH SCHOOL, THE WINNINGEST COACH IN CALIFORNIA  
19 HISTORY, PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 11 OF AN APPARENT HEART  
20 ATTACK. HE WAS 76 YEARS OLD. BEGAN HIS COACHING CAREER IN EL  
21 SEGUNDO IN 1960, AND DURING HIS 50-YEAR CAREER WITH THE  
22 EAGLES, HE COMPILED A RECORD OF 1,059 WINS, 419 LOSSES, AND  
23 LED HIS TEAMS TO 30 LEAGUE TITLES, SEVEN C.I.F. SOUTHERN  
24 SECTION TITLES. IN MARCH 2007, HE BECAME THE ONLY 7TH HIGH  
25 SCHOOL COACH IN THE NATION AND THE FIRST IN CALIFORNIA TO WIN

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1 A THOUSAND GAMES IN HIS CAREER. HE WAS NAMED THE "DAILY  
2 BREEZE" COACH OF THE YEAR EIGHT TIMES, A MEMBER OF THE  
3 NATIONAL FEDERATION STATE HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION'S HALL OF  
4 FAME. SURVIVED BY HIS SON, ERIC, AND GRANDDAUGHTER, ALI.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THE ONLY ITEM I HELD, MADAM CHAIR, WAS 46, AND  
9 WE CONTINUED THAT A WEEK.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** RIGHT. SO YOU HAVE NO OTHER ITEMS.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY  
18 DALE RICKARDS, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. HE HAD SERVED  
19 NEARLY 30 YEARS WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, WAS  
20 WORLD WAR II AND KOREAN VET, AND SERVED ALSO AS A MEMBER OF  
21 THE MOUNTED POLICE. HE ALSO ENTERED THE MOVIE PROP BUSINESS  
22 WHERE HE WORKED ON THE T.V. SHOW "LITTLE HOUSE ON THE  
23 PRAIRIE." SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND HIS TWO SONS AND A  
24 DAUGHTER. CAROLE COOK, WHO SERVED ON THE BOARD OF PEPPERDINE  
25 UNIVERSITY AND ALSO VOLUNTEER WORK WITH ACTIVITIES INVOLVING

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1 THE MUSIC CENTER. HARRY DAVENPORT, A PROBATION OFFICER. HE  
2 WORKED AS A SUPERVISOR AT THE SYLMAR JUVENILE HALL. LATER WAS  
3 PROMOTED TO THE POSITION OF SUPERVISING DETENTION SERVICE  
4 OFFICER, WHICH HE HELD FOR 20 YEARS. 2008, HE WAS PROMOTED TO  
5 HIS CURRENT POSITION AT CAMP ONUZUKA. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS  
6 WIFE AND HIS SON. CORA JACKSON, WHO WAS A PROCUREMENT AID FOR  
7 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAT SHE SERVED  
8 FOR 36 YEARS. HER LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE FISCAL SERVICES  
9 BUREAU. SISTER JOAN MARIE REIDY, ST. JOSEPH OF CARONDELET  
10 ORDER, PASSED AWAY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SISTER, MIRIAM, AND  
11 NIECE, KATHY. MARY LOUISE JAUREGUI, WHO WAS A LIFETIME  
12 RESIDENT OF NEWHALL IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SHE WAS MARRIED TO  
13 THE FAMED WESTERN STUNTMAN, EDWARD JAUREGUI, AND WAS A DEVOTED  
14 WIFE, MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER, AND GREAT GRANDMOTHER. NUMBER 10.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. ITEM  
17 NUMBER 10.

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19 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** MADAM CHAIR, THIS RELATES TO ITEM 55 AND  
20 64-B.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE IT TOGETHER?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO AMEND THAT THE MAYOR OF THE  
25 CITY OF LOS ANGELES WAS ONE OF THE MEMBERS AT THE COMMISSION.

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1 IT WAS A FORMER REQUIREMENT FOR THE STATE THAT IS NOW NO  
2 LONGER A REQUIREMENT. AND THAT EXPIRED MORE THAN 20 YEARS AGO,  
3 SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND DIRECTOR OF  
4 PUBLIC HEALTH TO OMIT THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
5 NOMINATION AUTHORITY ON THE COMMISSION.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU'RE JUST ASKING FOR THAT AMENDMENT?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S ON BOTH ITEMS. BOTH  
12 ITEMS, CORRECT? YES? ALL RIGHT. AMENDED ON THAT ITEM 10 AND  
13 THE COMPANION ITEM -- WHICH WAS IT AGAIN?

14

15 **DON ASHTON, CLERK:** 64-B AND 55.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
18 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY MYSELF. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF  
19 NOT, SO ORDERED.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN FOR A REPORT BACK, RELATIVE TO THE  
22 PENDING HEALTH LEGISLATION ON CAPITOL HILL. JANUARY 7TH, THE  
23 NEW EXCISE TAX ON EMPLOYER-SPONSORED HEALTH PLANS, WHICH HAD  
24 SIGNIFICANT CONSEQUENCES FOR THE COUNTY AND ITS EMPLOYEES AND  
25 RETIREES. THE C.E.O. HAD SPECIFICALLY STATED THAT TAXES PAID

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1 ON ACTIVE EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS SUBJECT TO THE  
2 EXCISE TAX WOULD GROW FROM \$4.18 MILLION IN 2013 TO \$158  
3 MILLION IN 2019. HE FURTHER STATED THAT THAT TAX PAYMENT FOR  
4 RETIRED EMPLOYEES WOULD TOTAL NEARLY \$18 MILLION IN 2013 AND  
5 GROW TO NEARLY \$99 MILLION IN 2019. SINCE THAT REPORT THAT THE  
6 BOARD RECEIVED ON JANUARY 7, THERE APPEARS TO BE COMPROMISE  
7 LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN THE SENATE HEALTHCARE REFORM. SO I'D  
8 MOVE THAT THE BOARD ASK THE C.E.O. AND THE COUNTY RETIREMENT  
9 TO REPORT BACK IN ONE WEEK ON THE COMPROMISES REACHED ON THAT  
10 LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN THAT PROPOSAL. SO REPORT BACK ON HOW THE  
11 COMPROMISE LANGUAGE AFFECTS OUR RETIREES AND OUR COUNTY.

12  
13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DID YOU UNDERSTAND THAT, BILL? IF THERE'S  
14 NO OBJECTION, IT'S A REPORT BACK. THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
15 ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

16  
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MADAM.

18  
19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I HAVE ADJOURNMENTS. I'M GOING  
20 TO ASK THAT ALL THE MEMBERS ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF THOMAS  
21 I. HAMAI, THE BELOVED FATHER OF OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SACHI  
22 HAMAI. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES AND PRAYERS  
23 TO SACHI AND HER ENTIRE FAMILY FOR HER LOSS. I'D LIKE TO ASK  
24 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DANIEL BARRAGAN, THE BELOVED  
25 FATHER OF AMY ALVARADO, WHO IS THE DIVISION CHIEF WITH OUR



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1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR  
2 DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO AMY AND HER FAMILY. ALL RIGHT. LET'S  
3 SEE. ALL RIGHT. LET ME CALL UP ITEM S-1. NOW, THIS ITEM WILL  
4 BE CONTINUED -- UNTIL WHEN? FOR ONE WEEK, BUT WE DO HAVE  
5 PEOPLE THAT WISH TO ADDRESS US ON THIS ITEM. IF I COULD BE  
6 JOINED BY NANCY GOMEZ, BAK KYOUNG, HANEY RUSSELL. I'M SORRY.  
7 THE OTHER WAY AROUND. RUSSELL HANEY, I APOLOGIZE. AND REVEREND  
8 JULIE ROBERTS-FRONK. IF THEY'D JOIN US, PLEASE. MISS GOMEZ, DO  
9 YOU WANT TO BEGIN? OR WHO WANTS TO BEGIN?

10

11 **NANCY GOMEZ:** I'M SORRY. I'M HARD OF HEARING. WHAT DID YOU SAY?

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHO IS MISS GOMEZ?

14

15 **NANCY GOMEZ:** I AM.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. PLEASE BEGIN.

18

19 **NANCY GOMEZ:** MY NAME IS NANCY GOMEZ. I'M HERE TODAY  
20 REPRESENTING HEALTH ACCESS CALIFORNIA. WE ARE A NONPROFIT  
21 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION THAT SUPPORTS HEALTHCARE REFORM  
22 AND PROTECTS CONSUMERS FROM MEDICAL DEBTS. WE ARE HERE TODAY  
23 SUPPORTING S.E.I.U. 721 AND THE GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER. WE ARE  
24 PATIENTS, HEALTH PROVIDERS AND HEALTH ADVOCATES WHO ARE HERE  
25 TO SPEAK AGAINST THE PROPOSAL TO PRIVATIZE SERVICES AT



1 GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER. THE PLAN THE SUPERVISORS ARE  
2 CONSIDERING WOULD DISRUPT HEALTHCARE IN GLENDALE AND  
3 SURROUNDING AREAS AND NEGATIVELY IMPACT HEALTHCARE FOR MORE  
4 THAN 3,500 PATIENTS, MOST OF THEM UNDERSERVED ARMENIAN, FARSI,  
5 SPANISH, AND TAGALOG-SPEAKING PATIENTS. 82% OF THE PATIENT  
6 POPULATION AT GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER ARE UNINSURED. MORE THAN  
7 HALF ARE CLASSIFIED AS ELDERLY. THE GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER IS  
8 THE ONLY PUBLICLY-RUN HEALTH CLINIC THAT DRAWS PATIENTS FROM  
9 EVERY CORNER OF THE COUNTY, PRIMARILY DUE TO THE CLINICAL AND  
10 LINGUISTIC SKILLS OF ITS STAFF. IN A STRONG AND WELL  
11 FUNCTIONING SOCIETY, WE KNOW THAT KEEPING PEOPLE HEALTHY AND  
12 OUT OF THE EMERGENCY ROOM, ENSURING THAT THEY BECOME LESS SICK  
13 AND CAN DEAL WITH THEIR ILLNESSES BETTER COSTS A LOT LESS  
14 MONEY. IT COSTS A LOT LESS THAN SENDING PEOPLE TO THE  
15 EMERGENCY ROOM, WHICH IS WHAT FOLKS DO WHEN THEIR COMMUNITY  
16 CLINICS ARE EITHER PRIVATIZED OR SHUT DOWN. WE ALL KNOW THAT  
17 OUR ALREADY STRUGGLING SAFETY NET IS DUE FOR MORE CUTS AS  
18 PROPOSED BY OUR GOVERNOR. WHY WOULD WE WANT TO SHUT DOWN A  
19 COMMUNITY CENTER THAT WORKS, THAT SERVES PEOPLE, AND THAT  
20 KEEPS PATIENTS HEALTHY AND SATISFIED? WE ALSO IN HEALTH ACCESS  
21 HAVE CONCERNS BECAUSE WE FEEL THAT MOST FREQUENTLY, CLINICS  
22 ARE PRIVATIZED TO CUT COSTS. BUT THE WAY THAT THEY DO THAT IS  
23 BY TAKING AWAY BENEFITS FROM CLINIC STAFF, BENEFITS SUCH AS  
24 PENSION AND HEALTHCARE BENEFITS. SO WILL THIS PRIVATIZATION  
25 ADD TO THE PROBLEM OF UNINSURED IN OUR STATE? IF SO, THAT IS

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1 NOT COST SAVINGS AT ALL. I HAVE HERE TODAY A LIST OF COMMUNITY  
2 ORGANIZATIONS AND LOCAL POLITICIANS WHO ARE IN SUPPORT -- OR  
3 WHO ARE ACTUALLY AGAINST THE PRIVATIZATION OF THE GLENDALE  
4 HEALTH CENTER. THEY INCLUDE THE HONORABLE CONGRESS MEMBER ADAM  
5 SCHIFF, HONORABLE COUNCILMEMBER PAUL KREKORIAN, HONORABLE  
6 MAYOR OF GLENDALE, FRANK QUINTERO, GLENDALE U.S.D. TRUSTEE,  
7 KRISTINE WALTERS, CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP, COMMITTEE OF INTERNS  
8 AND RESIDENTS, -- THE WALL LAS MEMORIAS MATERNAL AND CHILD  
9 HEALTH ACCESS, ONE L.A., AND HEALTH ACCESS CALIFORNIA. AND I  
10 HAVE WITH ME COPIES OF THOSE LETTERS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO HAND  
11 OVER AS WELL.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MISS GOMEZ. YOUR  
14 TIME IS --

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16 **NANCY GOMEZ:** AS WELL AS POSTCARDS OF SUPPORT, I WOULD LIKE TO  
17 HAND THIS OVER TOO.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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21 **NANCY GOMEZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE, IF YOU WOULD, WE  
24 DON'T PERMIT ANY APPLAUSE. SO WE UNDERSTAND IF YOU WANT TO BE  
25 SUPPORTIVE, BUT WE PREFER NOT. MISS BAK?



1  
2 **KYOUNG BAK:** YES. MY NAME IS KYOUNG BAK. AND I'M AN R.N. AND I  
3 HAVE BEEN WORKING AT THE GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER MORE THAN 11  
4 YEARS. AND I HAVE A STORY OF A PATIENT, I HAVE THREE YEARS  
5 AGO, I HAVE ONE PATIENT WHAT WAS A DIABETIC, WAS INSULIN-  
6 DEPENDENT PATIENT. HE IS VERY CONFUSED AND HE DOES NOT KNOW  
7 HOW TO APPLY. SO WE SHOWED HIM HOW TO DO IT WITH THE CASE  
8 MANAGERS, NUTRITIONISTS, AND NURSES. NOW HE'S FOLLOWED UP WITH  
9 US, SAYS HE'S VERY HAPPY, AND HE IS VERY STABLE WITH A  
10 DIABETIC. AND I HAVE ANOTHER PATIENT. WE FOUND THAT HE HAS A  
11 TUMOR IN HIS BRAIN BY BLOOD TESTS AND M.R.I., AND WE DID IT BY  
12 COMPUTER, WE CALL I.P.S., AND 15 DAYS LATER, HE HAD A SURGERY  
13 AND HE'S VERY NICE, NOW HE'S VERY WELL IN THE FOLLOW-UP, AND  
14 HE'S VERY HAPPY TO SEE, YOU KNOW, GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER  
15 EXISTING. AND WE HAVE DEVELOPED RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR PATIENTS  
16 AND THEY TRUST US. WE TREAT THE PATIENT WITH DIABETIC  
17 HYPERTENSION, THYROID AND CANCER PROTECTION PROGRAM. AND THE  
18 PATIENTS RECEIVE THEIR PRIMARY CARE AT GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER  
19 AND WE ARE ABLE TO KEEP THEM HEALTHY AND TO KEEP THEM OUT OF  
20 THE EMERGENCY ROOM. NOW WE HAVE OLIVE VIEW EMERGENCY ROOM AND  
21 THEY ALL COMPLAIN AND THEY WANT MORE DAYS STAYING IN OVERNIGHT  
22 IN THE GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER. WE WILL GIVE YOU THIS VIDEO FOR  
23 THE ILLUSTRATING THE COST OF THE PRIVATIZING IN GLENDALE  
24 HEALTH CENTER, AND INCLUDING MAYOR OF GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER -

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1 - IN HERE. AND WE URGE YOU TO HELP US TO CONTINUE SERVING THE  
2 COMMUNITY AND SERVING THESE PATIENTS. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR?

5

6 **RUSSELL HANEY:** HI. MY NAME IS RUSSELL HANEY, I'M A PATIENT AT  
7 THE GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER. APPROXIMATELY SEVEN YEARS AGO, I  
8 LOST MY JOB, I HAD NO HEALTH INSURANCE, I GOT AN EXTREMELY BAD  
9 FLU. I WENT TO THE HEALTH CENTER, I WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO  
10 HAVE A NURSE PRACTITIONER NAMED KAREN SEE ME. SEE ACTUALLY  
11 SPENT 45 MINUTES WITH ME, DECIDED BESIDES THE FLU I NEEDED TO  
12 SEE A CARDIOLOGIST AND I NEEDED TO SEE A DOCTOR. WITHIN TWO  
13 WEEKS, SHE HAD ME SEEING A CARDIOLOGIST. I NOW HAVE A  
14 PACEMAKER, THANKS TO THE GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER STARTING ME ON  
15 THAT PATH. I PROBABLY OWE MY LIFE TO THE PEOPLE OF GLENDALE. I  
16 CANNOT SAY ENOUGH ABOUT THEM. THEY ARE ALWAYS CARING,  
17 CONCERNED, ALWAYS THERE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS IF YOU HAVE  
18 ANY TO MAKE SURE YOU KNOW EVERYTHING THAT'S GOING ON WITH YOUR  
19 HEALTH. THEY EVEN HELP OUT, LIKE IF I CAN'T MAKE AN  
20 APPOINTMENT, SOMEBODY IN THE OFFICE GETS BACK TO ME WITHIN A  
21 DAY OR TWO AND WILL MAKE SURE I GET AN APPOINTMENT. HOPEFULLY  
22 YOU DO NOT PRIVATIZE THIS COMMUNITY CENTER, BECAUSE IT'S A  
23 GREAT SERVICE TO EVERYBODY IN THE COMMUNITY AND EVEN THOSE WHO  
24 LIVE OUTSIDE OF THE COMMUNITY THAT GO THERE. THANK YOU.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR. HANEY.

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3   **JULIE ROBERTS-FRONK:** I AM THE REVEREND DOCTOR, JULIE ROBERTS-  
4   FRONK, PASTOR OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, POMONA, ON THE FAR  
5   EASTERN EDGE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND I AM ALSO A LEADER  
6   WITH ONE L.A. ONE L.A. IS AN INSTITUTIONAL NETWORK OF  
7   CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES, SCHOOLS, UNIONS AND NONPROFITS. OUR WORK  
8   IS IN PART DEVELOPING HEALTHY INSTITUTIONS FOR OUR SHARED  
9   CIVIC LIFE. ONE L.A. WORKS THROUGH THE LENS OF TWO GREAT  
10   TRADITIONS, THE VALUES OF OUR RELIGIOUS LIFE AS WELL AS THE  
11   VISION OF OUR SHARED DEMOCRATIC EXPERIENCE. WHEN AN  
12   INSTITUTION IS THREATENED, IT IS OF GREAT CONCERN TO US. WHEN  
13   THAT INSTITUTION PROVIDES HEALTHCARE FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED A  
14   SAFETY NET FROM THE FREE FALL OF JOB LOSS, DISABILITY, AGE,  
15   BOTH ITS CHILDREN AND THE ELDERLY, IT IS NOT ONLY OF POLITICAL  
16   CONCERN TO US, IT IS A PASTORAL CONCERN WITH MORAL AND ETHICAL  
17   IMPLICATIONS AND DEMANDS. THE PRIVATIZATION OF GLENDALE HEALTH  
18   CENTER IS A STEP WE BELIEVE THAT IS IN THE WRONG DIRECTION.  
19   THIS HEALTHCARE PROVIDER -- THE HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AT  
20   GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER HAVE MADE A MEDICAL HOME FOR PEOPLE IN  
21   THIS COMMUNITY THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND  
22   PRIVATIZATION COULD LIKELY LEAVE HUNDREDS OF SENIORS AND  
23   UNINSURED CHILDREN WITHOUT ACCESS TO NECESSARY HEALTHCARE.  
24   ALREADY PATIENTS AND WORKERS HAVE BEEN LIVING FOR A YEAR WITH  
25   THIS CLOUD OF UNCERTAINTY AS TO THE FUTURE OF THEIR SHARED

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1 INSTITUTIONAL LIFE. ONE L.A. INSTITUTION STAND IN THE BREACH  
2 CREATED BY FORCES THAT BRING POVERTY AND PRIVATION IN OUR  
3 COMMUNITIES. WE ARE HERE TODAY TO STAND IN THAT BREACH AND  
4 PROVOKE YOU TO CONSIDER LEAVING IN PLACE A CRITICAL  
5 INSTITUTIONAL SAFETY NET IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. YOUR DECISION  
6 TO OPPOSE THE PRIVATIZATION OF GLENDALE HEALTH CENTER NOT ONLY  
7 RESPECTS THE HUMAN DIGNITY OF THESE PATIENTS, BUT ALSO ALLOWS  
8 THEM THE FREEDOM TO LIVE LIFE IN THE FULLEST IN A FREE AND  
9 OPEN SOCIETY. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM IS  
12 CONTINUED. GOOD ENOUGH. THAT WORKS. THAT ITEM WILL BE  
13 CONTINUED UNTIL NEXT WEEK. SO IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO  
14 ORDERED ON THAT CONTINUANCE. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE, ON PUBLIC  
15 COMMENT, I'D LIKE TO INVITE MR. ARNOLD SACHS. AND HAVE MR.  
16 PATRICK O'ROURKE ALSO. COULD YOU OPEN THE DOOR FOR MR.  
17 O'ROURKE? MR. O'ROURKE, I'LL GIVE YOU THREE MINUTES. YOU HELD  
18 ITEM 7, 22, AND 26. PLEASE PROCEED.

19

20 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** OH, OKAY. YEAH. BASICALLY, MY NAME IS  
21 PATRICK O'ROURKE, I'VE BEEN HERE SEVERAL TIMES. AND I'M NOT  
22 GOING TO COMMENT ON THOSE ITEMS. I'M GOING TO COMMENT ON THE  
23 REQUEST BY SEVERAL PEOPLE THAT HAVE CONTACTED WITHIN SEVERAL  
24 CONSUMERS OF D.C.F.S. SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND  
25 FAMILY SERVICES. AND I KNOW THAT THE KATIE A. ADDRESSED THE



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1 PHYSICAL WELL-BEING OF THE CHILDREN. BUT WHAT I'M HEARING IS A  
2 LOT OF COMPLAINTS AND INCLUDING THE ATTEMPTED COVER-UP, THE  
3 INITIAL COVER-UP OF SOME OF THE INJURIES TO THE KATIE A. IN  
4 THAT CASE. AND WHAT I'M ASKING -- WHAT THE PEOPLE ARE ASKING  
5 ME IS TO COME FORWARD AND REQUEST AN INDEPENDENT COUNCIL OR  
6 THE -- WHAT THE PROCESS IS TO GET AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE  
7 CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND THE VIOLATIONS OF DUE PROCESS IN  
8 COURT, NAMELY THE REGULATION AND THE NUMBER OF WITNESSES THAT  
9 ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE CLIENTS, BY THE  
10 DEFENDANTS IN THESE CASES. MANY OF THEM HAVE COMPLAINED THAT  
11 THEY HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO BRING IN WITNESSES, THEY HAVEN'T  
12 BEEN ABLE TO PRODUCE EVIDENCE DIRECTLY TO THE COURT. THEY'VE  
13 HAD THEIR HOMES SEARCHED ON PRETEXT. MANY CIVIL RIGHTS  
14 VIOLATIONS HAVE OCCURRED OVER HUNDREDS OF THESE CASES. AND THE  
15 SUSPECTED, THERE'S BEEN TIMES -- LET ME SEE, IT'S BEEN  
16 PUBLISHED IN THE L.A. TIMES, THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER, AMONG  
17 OTHERS, WHERE D.C.F.S. HAS CONSISTENTLY AND REGULARLY VIOLATED  
18 AND TRIED TO COVER UP ITS OWN WRONGDOING. AND I'M ASKING FOR  
19 AN INDEPENDENT COUNCIL BECAUSE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE  
20 CANNOT -- I MEAN, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY CANNOT PROSECUTE  
21 THESE, AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGENCY WITHIN THE COUNTY THAT  
22 OVERSEES THE ABUSES OF POWER THAT IS HAPPENING WITHIN D.C.F.S.  
23 GLORIA MOLINA, YOUR COUNTY HAS A LOT OF POOR PEOPLE. THEIR  
24 ONLY RECOURSE IS TO SUE. ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, THERE IS A NUMBER OF  
25 HOMELESS PEOPLE AND A NUMBER OF LOW INCOME PEOPLE IN YOUR

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1 COUNTY THAT ARE NOT -- DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER RECOURSE BUT TO  
2 SUE. THEY CANNOT AFFORD ATTORNEYS. THEIR CIVIL LIBERTIES ARE  
3 BEING VIOLATED BECAUSE D.C.F.S. UNDERSTANDS THAT THESE PEOPLE  
4 HAVE NO VOICE. I'M ASKING FOR THE COUNTY TO STEP UP, FOR THE  
5 SUPERVISORS TO GIVE THESE PEOPLE A VOICE. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS, YOU HELD ITEMS 22,  
8 23, 24, 31, 42, AS WELL AS S-3.

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10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** S-3 -- 53.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 53. I STAND CORRECTED. YOU HAVE THREE  
13 MINUTES ON THOSE ITEMS.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL, WE'LL START ON ITEM 31. THAT'S GRAFFITI  
16 REMOVAL SERVICES IN ZERO TOLERANCE ZONES. AND SUPERVISOR  
17 RIDLEY-THOMAS, I'M NOT LOOKING TO PICK ON YOU. I ACTUALLY  
18 PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE PICKED THIS UP WITH YOUR PREDECESSOR, BUT  
19 IF YOU HAVE ZERO TOLERANCE ZONES IN THE COUNTY, THEN THE BLUE  
20 LINE MUST BE THE 200% GRAFFITI ZONE, BECAUSE IT'S ATROCIOUS. I  
21 MEAN, FROM WASHINGTON BOULEVARD SOUTH THROUGH ROSA PARKS  
22 STATION, IT'S A GRAFFITI NIGHTMARE. THE CITY OF L.A. HAS A  
23 GRAFFITI ABATEMENT PROGRAM. DOESN'T SEEM TO AFFECT THAT AREA.  
24 WHAT IS GOING TO BE DONE TO ADDRESS THE GRAFFITI? AND AGAIN, I  
25 APOLOGIZE FOR PUTTING THIS ON YOUR SHOULDERS, SUPERVISOR



1 THOMAS, BUT YOU SEEM TO BE ACTING A LITTLE BIT MORE PROACTIVE  
2 -- YOU SEEM TO BE MORE PROACTIVE THAN YOUR PREDECESSOR. BUT  
3 SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. THERE'S THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE  
4 WHO RIDE THE BLUE LINE THAT SHOULDN'T BE SUBJECT TO THAT  
5 GRAFFITI ABUSE ON A DAILY BASIS. ITEM 42, AND I MAY BE --  
6 STAND CORRECTED HERE, THIS IS A CONTRACT THAT WAS ALREADY  
7 COMPLETED, THIS WORK ON HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD, IT'S NOT A NEW  
8 CONTRACT TO BE OPENED UP BECAUSE -- I MAY HAVE READ THIS  
9 WRONG, BUT IT'S RATIFY CHANGES IN WORK AND ACCEPT COMPLETED  
10 CONTRACT WORK, SO I TAKE IT THAT THE WORK HAS BEEN DONE ON  
11 HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD. AND ITEM 53 REFERS TO A LAWSUIT THAT THE  
12 COUNTY IS GOING TO PAY THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION  
13 AUTHORITY MONEY. AND IT BOGGLES THE MIND, IF YOU FOLLOW THE  
14 ALAMEDA CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AT ALL. AND  
15 REMEMBER, OR RECALL, OH, IT MUST BE A GOOD 10, 15 YEARS AGO,  
16 THAT THEY GOT \$40 MILLION FROM CALTRANS TO STUDY THE VICINITY  
17 OF PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY AND THE REFINERIES, ON HOW THEY WERE  
18 GOING TO COMPLETE THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR INTO THE PORT, EITHER  
19 PORT OF LOS ANGELES, PORT OF LONG BEACH. THAT PARTICULAR AREA,  
20 \$40 MILLION AND THEY HAVE NEVER FINISHED THE WORK. THE WORK IS  
21 NOT DONE. THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR STILL ENDS NORTH OF PACIFIC  
22 COAST HIGHWAY, WHICH MEANS THE TRAINS LEAVING THE FACILITIES  
23 STILL INTERACT WITH TRAFFIC AND THEY GOT \$40 MILLION FROM THE  
24 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND NOW THE COUNTY IS GOING TO ADD A  
25 LITTLE SUGAR OF \$160,000. IT BOGGLES THE MIND. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SIR. ALL RIGHT. THOSE ARE ALL OF  
3 OUR ITEMS. CORRECT? ALL RIGHT. IF THERE ARE NO OTHER ITEMS  
4 BEFORE US -- I'M SORRY? A MOTION ON... OH, THAT'S RIGHT. I  
5 APOLOGIZE. WE DO NEED A MOTION ON ALL OF THESE ITEMS. BY THE  
6 WAY, THESE ITEMS ARE 22, 23, 24, 31, 42, 53, AS WELL AS 26 AND  
7 ITEM NUMBER NO. 7. CORRECT? ALL RIGHT. ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED  
8 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF  
9 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS. ALL RIGHT.  
10 WE'LL HAVE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION -  
11 - WE DO HAVE MORE PUBLIC COMMENT? I'M SORRY. OKAY. ALL RIGHT.  
12 PUBLIC COMMENT, AGAIN, WE HAVE MR. SACHS. IRENE PANG, AND  
13 WILLIAM SEELING. IF THEY'D JOIN US, PLEASE. ARNOLD, WHY DON'T  
14 YOU BEGIN?

15

16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA.  
17 HOPEFULLY SOME PEOPLE HAVE READ IN THE L.A. TIMES TRAVEL  
18 SECTION, MADRID TO BARCELONA IN A FLASH. I'M SUGGESTING THAT  
19 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STEP UP AND WRITE A LETTER TO  
20 THE STATE LEGISLATION TO INTERRUPT ITS WORK ON THE HIGH SPEED  
21 RAIL. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU READ THIS STORY, BUT THERE ARE  
22 THINGS IN THIS STORY THAT WILL NEVER HAPPEN IN THIS STATE,  
23 SPECIFICALLY MEANING TRAINS LEFT ON TIME AND THEY ARRIVED ON  
24 TIME. THE PRICE WAS \$63, A SPECIAL LOW, \$157 TOURIST CLASS,  
25 \$235 FOR FIRST CLASS, AND \$282 FOR CLUB CARS. NICE STATIONS.



1 200 MILES PER HOUR. IT JUST WON'T HAPPEN IN THE STATE OF  
2 CALIFORNIA. WE SHOULD GET ON TOP OF THAT AND HAVE THE -- WRITE  
3 A LETTER TO THE LEGISLATORS. YOU MIGHT HAVE READ IN THE  
4 NEWSPAPER THAT THERE'S ALTERNATIVE STUDIES FOR THE WEST SIDE  
5 SUBWAY EXTENSION. AN EXTENSION OF THE METRO PURPLE LINE SUBWAY  
6 UNDER WILSHIRE BOULEVARD THROUGH SANTA MONICA AND A METRO  
7 PURPLE LINE EXTENSION PLUS A SUBWAY EXTENSION FROM HOLLYWOOD.  
8 IS THAT THE PURPLE LINE EXTENSION FROM HOLLYWOOD OR THE RED  
9 LINE EXTENSION FROM HOLLYWOOD DOWN THROUGH SANTA MONICA, ON  
10 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD? PAY CLOSE ATTENTION, PUBLIC. THIS IS  
11 HOW YOUR MONEY GETS SPENT. THIS IS HOW THE MONEY GETS SPENT  
12 WITHOUT ANYTHING BEING DONE. MONEY ALLOCATED FOR ONE PROJECT  
13 GOES TO ANOTHER PROJECT. NOTHING EVER HAPPENS. THERE WAS A  
14 STORY REGARDING THE GOLD LINE BY THE NUMBERS. IT'S A 1.7-MILE  
15 TUNNEL. BECAUSE THE DOWNTOWN CONNECTOR IS A LITTLE OVER TWO  
16 MILES OF LIGHT RAIL, COULD HAVE BEEN LIGHT RAIL CONSTRUCTION,  
17 BUT DUE TO LEVERAGING, WE GOT THE RED LINE INSTEAD. SO THE  
18 COST WAS PROBABLY FOUR TIMES AS HIGH. AND WHEN YOU GET MAPS  
19 THAT SHOW THE LIGHT RAIL CONNECTION ON THE L.A. TIMES GOING  
20 FROM THE METRO CENTER SOUTHEAST TO FIRST AND ALAMEDA, WHEN  
21 ANYBODY WHO LIVES IN L.A. KNOWS IT'S NORTHEAST, THESE MAPS END  
22 UP IN WASHINGTON AND ALL AROUND THE COUNTRY. AND WHEN THEY  
23 STAND IN FRONT OF THE OTHER PEOPLE, THE OTHER LEGISLATORS, AND  
24 ASK FOR MONEY TO FILL IN THE GAPS THAT DON'T EXIST, THIS IS  
25 WHAT THEY VOTE WITH. THEY DON'T VOTE WITH THE FACTS, THEY VOTE

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1 WITH THIS CRAP. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, ANSWERS AND  
2 ATTENTION.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. MISS PANG.

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6 **IRENE PANG:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M IRENE, AND I WILL BE  
7 DISCUSSING ABOUT HOW CAN I BE A GOOD CITIZEN IN A PUBLIC  
8 POSITION TO DEAL WITH MORE THE PUBLIC WORK TO PROTECT CITIES  
9 OF LOS ANGELES AND CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
10 IN THE NATION, UNITED STATES, SPECIAL THE CITY, EL MONTE, HAS  
11 BEEN UNDER ATTACK. EVEN AT NIGHT OR DAYTIME, THEY HAVE BEEN --  
12 EVEN THEY GO TO THEIR OFFICE AT THE NIGHTTIME, AFTER MIDNIGHT  
13 OR EARLY MORNING, AND THEY'RE NOT IN THE CAR AND -- IN THE  
14 CITY IN THE NIGHTTIME. I THINK IT'S BECAUSE PARK TO PARK OVER  
15 THERE, LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO PARK OVER THERE, UNITED STATES  
16 CONNECT. THAT'S WHY WE HAVE TO -- THE CITIZEN -- IS, LIKE ME,  
17 REALLY CONCERNED THE SITUATION ABOUT OTHER NATION AND LOS  
18 ANGELES COUNTY IN OUR CITY EL MONTE. AND FOR ME, I HAVE BEEN  
19 DONE MY BEST IN THE PLACE, SPECIAL WITHIN 10 YEARS. AND SINCE  
20 I GRADUATE FROM THEM SCHOOL, AND WHEN I SAW THEM TURNING TO A  
21 ATTACK ON OUR OTHER NATION. AND ALSO THIS IS ATTACK ON OUR  
22 CITIZENS IN OUR NATION. AND WHEN I SAW OUR ENERGY AND --  
23 (INAUDIBLE), THE PRIZE FREEZE, THEY HIGH UP SO FAST.  
24 (INAUDIBLE) AND PUT ON OTHER NATION AND CAUSING OUR COUNTRY  
25 DIFFICULTY. AND IN THAT KIND OF SITUATION, I REALLY DO MY

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1 BEST, EVEN THOUGH THE GOVERNMENT DID NOT PAY ME ONE CENT. I  
2 TOOK THE MONEY FROM MY OWN POCKET. I'M DRIVING MY CAR FROM  
3 CITY TO CITY AND ACCORDING TO INFORMATION FROM (INAUDIBLE) TO  
4 GET THE INFORMATION FOR THE ENERGY. AND ALSO TO FIND OUT WHY  
5 OUR NATION CONNECTION FROM THE DIFFERENT PATIENTS ARE GOOD.  
6 EVEN THOUGH IN THE NIGHTTIME, ARE LIVING IN THEIR CAR, BUT IT  
7 DOESN'T MEAN I'M LIVING IN THE CAR. (INAUDIBLE).

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. DO YOU WANT TO SUMMARIZE, PLEASE?  
10 YOUR TIME IS UP. PLEASE JUST FINISH.

11

12 **IRENE PANG:** OH, OKAY. THANK YOU. EVEN THOUGH WHEN THEY --  
13 (INAUDIBLE) THIS IS WHY I'D LIKE TO SAY I REALLY APPRECIATE  
14 THE COUNTY LOS ANGELES, THE SUPERVISORS, THEIR CONCERN AND  
15 SUPPORT. AND MY REQUIREMENT -- I ASK THE REQUIREMENT --

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MISS PANG. MISS PANG, THANK YOU  
18 SO MUCH.

19

20 **IRENE PANG:** THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NEXT, WE HAVE MR. SEELING.

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24 **WILLIAM SEELING:** THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. I'M FROM THE  
25 AMERICAN LEGION II, POST 43. AND ONE OF MY COMMANDERS TOLD ME



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1 TO ASK YOU, TWO WEEKS FROM NOW, WE'RE HAVING A SPECIAL MEETING  
2 IN HOLLYWOOD, POST 43, ON THE MARTIN LUTHER KING THING. WE  
3 WERE PARADING YESTERDAY, EVERYONE GOT WET. SO ONE OF MY MEN,  
4 BOB MILLER, HANDLES THE PARADE FOR PARADE YESTERDAY, THEY ALL  
5 GOT WET, WITH THE R.O.T.C. AND EVERYTHING ELSE, SO WHAT I  
6 WOULD LIKE YOU IS TO INVITE YOU, SOMEBODY HERE, TO COME TO OUR  
7 MEETING IN TWO WEEKS. I'LL WRITE YOU A LETTER. MAYBE MR. MARK  
8 THOMAS OR AREA THREE, HOLLYWOOD. WE HAVE PLENTY OF FREE  
9 TICKETS FOR FOOD. WE'RE ALWAYS SUPPORTING THE SHERIFFS AND THE  
10 POLICE DEPARTMENT AND WE ALSO SUPPORT YOU PEOPLE HERE ALL THE  
11 TIME, WE GIVE DONATIONS TO THE PEOPLE. BUT I'M REALLY HERE  
12 ALSO, WE GAVE THE GUARD TO MICKEY ROONEY'S -- THAT'S IN  
13 OCTOBER, WE SUPPLIED THE HONOR GUARD THERE AND LOT OF THE  
14 PEOPLE THERE FROM THE -- VETERANS PEOPLE. BASICALLY I'M HERE  
15 MAINLY FOR WATER RESOURCES, BECAUSE I GO TO THE MEETINGS AT  
16 M.W.D. EVERY MONTH, THE BOARD MEETINGS. AND I BROUGHT A LITTLE  
17 THING FOR ALL OF YOUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO LOOK AT, AND  
18 WHAT I DID IS I ASKED YOU TO LOOK AT IT. I GOT COPIES FOR YOU.  
19 AND ONE IS TO SUPPORT THE KENNETH HAHN CONTINENTAL SHELF LINK  
20 FROM THE COLUMBIA RIVER TO SOUTHERN CAL FOR WATER, FOR FEDERAL  
21 MONEY. YOU DON'T HAVE TO SUPPORT ME. YOU CAN APPRECIATE ME.  
22 BUT I THINK WE COULD GET-- I HAVE JUST IN WASHINGTON, D.C.  
23 ALREADY, THAT WE NEED MONEY FOR NEW WATER FROM OUTSIDE  
24 SOURCES. BACK IN 1928, M.W.D. MADE A COMPACT THAT WE NEEDED  
25 WATER FROM OUTSIDE THE STATE. THAT'S WHERE WE GOT THE



1   AQUEDUCT. AND IT TOOK ALL DURING THE 1930S TO BUILD THIS  
2   AQUEDUCT, BUT WE GOT WATER FROM OUT OF STATE. NOW MY PROJECT  
3   ORIGINALLY WAS WATER FROM ALBERTA TO ABOUT THE END OF THE  
4   GREEN RIVER, BUT THAT'S TAKEN A LONG TIME WITH CANADA. BUT I  
5   THINK THE KENNETH HAHN PROPOSAL I LIKE BECAUSE THAT GETS WATER  
6   FROM THE COLUMBIA RIVER. NOW, BACK IN 1965, SUPERVISOR KENNETH  
7   HAHN AND BOB SKINNER TALKED ABOUT THE PLAN FOR WATER FROM THE  
8   COLUMBIA RIVER BECAUSE THERE'S 10 MILLION ACRE FEET OF FRESH  
9   WATER GOING OUT IN THE OCEAN EVERY YEAR, IF WE COULD BRING  
10  THREE OR FOUR MILLION DOWN HERE. WELL, BOB SKINNER WANTED TO  
11  GO THROUGH OREGON. HE SAID "THAT'S TOO POLITICAL. YOU'VE GOT  
12  TO THE CONTINENTAL SHELF WITH KENNETH HAHN'S PROPOSAL." NOW,  
13  AT THAT TIME, THEY THOUGHT WE WERE WAY OUT IN LEFT FIELD  
14  BECAUSE IT WAS WAY AHEAD OF OUR TIME. BUT I THINK WE'VE GOT TO  
15  GET WATER FROM OUTSIDE THE CITY OF CALIFORNIA. NOW WHAT I DID  
16  IS I DID SOME RESEARCH, BASIC RESEARCH ON THIS, THAT'S GOING  
17  TO WASHINGTON, D.C. I GOT SEVEN COPIES OF THIS, "A," "B" AND  
18  "C." "A" IS KENNETH HAHN'S IDEA AND "B" IS THE CANADIAN SYSTEM  
19  TO BRING WATER THROUGH THE COLORADO RIVER, AND "C" IS WHAT'S  
20  HAPPENING UP IN THE DELTA, BUT WHAT I WANTED TO DO IS JUST FOR  
21  INFORMATION, BASICALLY, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO READ THIS AND  
22  MAYBE GET SOME COMMENTS FOR ME. YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN? SO WHAT  
23  I WILL DO, THERE'S -- I'VE GOT SEVEN COPIES, BUT I WANT YOU TO  
24  RESPOND TO IT RATHER THAN SAY I'M SUPPORTING IT. BUT I'M  
25  WORKING HARD, I'M A VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II AND KOREA. I'M 84

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1 YEARS OLD, SO I HOPE I HAVE A FEW YEARS LEFT ON ME TO DEVELOP  
2 THE WATER RESOURCES FROM OUTSIDE OF CALIFORNIA. RIGHT NOW  
3 WE'RE IN A VERY SERIOUS SITUATION WITH THE DELTA. IT'S A REAL  
4 MESS. THEY'VE GOT AN 11 MILLION BOND ISSUE, BUT I FEEL WE HAVE  
5 TO GO LOOK FOR WATER OUTSIDE OF CALIFORNIA. THIS REQUIRES  
6 FEDERAL FUNDS.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR. SEELING. THANK YOU  
9 FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

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11 **WILLIAM SEELING:** SO I WANT YOU TO REVIEW IT. OKAY, THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NOW THAT DOES  
14 CONCLUDE PUBLIC COMMENT.

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16 **CLERK:** MADAM CHAIR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BROWN ACT  
17 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
18 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.  
19 CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING  
20 LITIGATION, AND ITEM NUMBER CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL  
21 COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS  
22 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.

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**REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON JANUARY 19, 2010**

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Willie  
Woods v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court  
Case No. BC 378 891

This lawsuit concerns allegations of racial discrimination,  
retaliation, and failure to investigate by the Department of  
Children and Family Services. (09-2427)

**ACTION TAKEN:** The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuit.  
Details of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by  
any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following  
approval by all parties. The vote of the Board was unanimous  
with all Supervisors being present.

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1 In Open Session, item CS-2 was continued three weeks to  
2 February 9, 2010 at the request of the Chief Executive  
3 Officer.

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5 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
6 (Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9)  
7 Initiation of litigation (one case) (10-0176)

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9 ACTION TAKEN: In reliance on the commitment made by Southern  
10 California Edison in its January 15, 2010 letter the Board  
11 directed County Counsel not to file the legal challenge to the  
12 approval of the Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project  
13 Segments 4-11 which the Board previously directed on December  
14 22, 2009.

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16 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all members being  
17 present.

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2 Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of  
3 California, do hereby certify:

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5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors January 19, 2010,  
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8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
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11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
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